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1 [There was no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS WILL COME TO ORDER. ASK EVERYONE TO BE SEATED.
8 WE'LL START THE PROCEEDINGS THIS MORNING WITH THE INVOCATION,
9 WHICH WILL BE LED -- ASK EVERYONE TO STAND FOR THE INVOCATION
10 THAT WILL BE LED BY PASTOR GARY SHIOHAMA OF THE SOUTH BAY
11 COMMUNITY CHURCH IN GARDENA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL
12 FOLLOW WHICH WILL BE LED BY EMILIO OLGUIN, QUARTERMASTER, POST
13 NUMBER 4696 OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF LOS ANGELES.
14 PASTOR SHIOHAMA.

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16 **PASTOR GARY SHIOHAMA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IT IS GOOD TO
17 BE HERE IN THIS ROOM. THIS PLACE HAS SOME SPECIAL MEMORIES FOR
18 ME. THE FIRST TIME THAT I WAS HERE WAS AS A STUDENT FROM
19 ROSEMONT HIGH SCHOOL, BOYS DAY IN GOVERNMENT, AND I WAS THE
20 COUNTY COUNSEL FOR THE DAY, JOHN MAHARG, AND, OF COURSE, THE
21 LAST TIME I WAS HERE WAS OVER 15 YEARS AGO AS A DEPUTY TO
22 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SO IT'S GOOD TO BE HERE WITH ALL OF YOU
23 AND IT'S AN HONOR TO LEAD THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING. JUST
24 ONE LAST THOUGHT BEFORE I BEGIN TO PRAY. IT'S SOMETHING I TELL
25 MY CONGREGATION QUITE OFTEN AND THAT IS THAT PRAYER IS SIMPLY



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1 A CONVERSATION WITH GOD AND SO WE CAN BE STANDING, WE CAN BE
2 SITTING, WE CAN BE KNEELING, WE CAN HAVE OUR EYES OPEN OR WE
3 CAN HAVE OUR EYES CLOSED BECAUSE IT'S SIMPLY A CONVERSATION
4 WITH GOD. SO I WANT TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN ME AS WE PRAY TODAY.
5 DEAR GOD, WE WANT TO SAY GOOD MORNING TO YOU AND THANK YOU FOR
6 ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL DAY THAT YOU'VE GIVEN TO EACH OF US TO SERVE
7 YOU, TO KNOW YOU. AND, FATHER, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE
8 OPPORTUNITY TO COME HERE AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THESE
9 FIVE VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE THAT YOU'VE PLACED IN A POSITION TO
10 LEAD OUR COUNTY. AND, FATHER, I KNOW THAT THEY REPRESENT A
11 WIDE SPECTRUM OF POLITICAL VIEWS BUT I WANT TO ASK THAT YOU
12 WOULD GIVE THEM WISDOM AND DISCERNMENT IN ALL THE DECISIONS
13 THAT THEY MAKE FOR, ON A DAILY BASIS, THE DECISIONS THAT THEY
14 MAKE WILL AFFECT MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF LIVES. AND BEYOND
15 ASKING YOU JUST TO GUIDE THEM, WHICH I KNOW THAT THEY WELCOME,
16 I WANT TO JUST PRAY FOR THEM, EACH ONE OF THEM PERSONALLY. I
17 WANT TO LIFT THEM UP TO YOU PERSONALLY, FATHER, AND ASK THAT
18 YOU WOULD-- BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THEY EACH HAVE SACRIFICED A
19 GREAT DEAL TO SERVE HERE IN THE COUNTY AND, IN MANY WAYS, THEY
20 LIVE THEIR LIVES IN A FISHBOWL, WHERE THEIR PERSONAL LIVES AND
21 THE DECISIONS THEY MAKE ARE SCRUTINIZED ON A DAILY BASIS. SO I
22 WANT TO ASK THAT YOU WOULD CONTINUALLY PROTECT THEM, THAT YOU
23 WOULD KEEP THEM FROM BURNOUT AND OVERWORK, THAT YOU WOULD
24 CONSTANTLY REFRESH THEM AND THAT YOU WOULD CONTINUALLY HELP
25 THEM IN ALL THAT THEY DO. I PRAY THAT YOU'D GIVE THEM THE



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1 COURAGE TO MAKE THE TOUGH DECISIONS. I PRAY THAT YOU'D KEEP
2 THEM AWAY FROM TEMPTATION AND HELP THEM TO WALK IN INTEGRITY
3 IN ALL THAT THEY DO. HELP THEM TO WORK WITH EACH OTHER IN AN
4 UNDERSTANDING WAY, AND, GOD, YOU'VE GIVEN THEM AND EACH ONE OF
5 US THE ONE AND ONLY LIFE THAT WE WILL EVER HAVE, SO I PRAY
6 THAT YOU WILL HELP THEM TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES, SUPERVISOR
7 BURKE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR
8 MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. I PRAY THAT YOU WOULD KEEP
9 THEM, HELP THEM TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES PHYSICALLY,
10 MENTALLY AND SPIRITUALLY SO THAT THEY CAN BE UP TO THE
11 CHALLENGES THAT THEY FACE EACH DAY. AND, GOD, HELP THEM TO
12 CONTINUE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN ALL THAT THEY DO. WE PRAY FOR
13 OUR COUNTY, THAT YOU WOULD CONTINUE TO BLESS IT. WE ASK THAT
14 YOU WOULD BLESS OUR COUNTRY, CONTINUE TO PROTECT US AND KEEP
15 US IN YOUR CARE. WE THANK YOU, GOD, AND WE PRAY ALL THESE
16 THINGS IN YOUR MIGHTY NAME. AMEN.

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18 **EMILIO OLGUIN:** GOOD MORNING. WOULD YOU PLEASE JOIN ME IN
19 PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF OUR COUNTRY. [PLEDGE OF
20 ALLEGIANCE]

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE WANT TO THANK PASTOR GARY SHIOHAMA, THE
25 FOUNDING AND SENIOR PASTOR OF SOUTH BAY COMMUNITY CHURCH, A



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1 GROWING AND ETHNICALLY DIVERSE CONGREGATION OF NEARLY 600
2 PEOPLE IN SOUTH BAY AREA OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. NEXT MONTH,
3 MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH WILL TRAVEL TO KAMPALA, UGANDA TO START
4 AN ORPHANAGE FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN MADE HOMELESS BECAUSE
5 OF THE DEVASTATING A.I.D.S. CRISIS AND THE CIVIL WAR IN SUDAN.
6 BEFORE ENTERING FULL-TIME MINISTRY IN 1992, PASTOR SHIOHAMA
7 SERVED FOR A SHORT TIME AS ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY TO
8 SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH AND AS A LEGISLATIVE DEPUTY TO
9 THE LATE JOHN FERRARO. HE'S A GRADUATE OF PEPPERDINE
10 UNIVERSITY AND BELIEVES HIS EXPERIENCE IN CITY AND COUNTY
11 GOVERNMENT HELPED HIM PREPARE FOR WHAT HE'S DOING TODAY. YOU
12 CERTAINLY ARE AN INSPIRATION AND IT'S WONDERFUL THAT YOU'RE
13 GOING THERE TO ESTABLISH THIS ORPHANAGE. AND WE THANK YOU VERY
14 MUCH FOR BEING WITH US TODAY. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY I'M VERY PROUD OF GARY AND
17 HIS CHOOSING THE-- CARRYING OUT THE GREAT COMMISSION AND DOING
18 A SUPERB JOB AND HE'S ONE OF OUR GREAT CHRISTIAN LEADERS IN
19 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SO THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MAYBE YOU WANT TO BE COUNTY
22 COUNSEL FOR ANOTHER DAY. GOOD TO SEE YOU, GARY. WORKING IN
23 CITY HALL CERTAINLY WILL PREPARE SOMEBODY FOR A LIFE IN THE
24 MINISTRY. [LAUGHTER]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, HALL OF
2 ADMINISTRATION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OR THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION.
5 SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT A
8 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO EMILIO OLGUIN. MR. OLGUIN IS A
9 QUARTERMASTER AT POST 4696 OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. HE
10 HAS SERVED AS A STAFF SERGEANT FOR THE 22ND ARTILLERY
11 BATTALION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 1949 TO 1952 IN KOREA
12 AND FOUGHT SEVERAL BATTLES. HIS MANY DECORATIONS INCLUDE THE
13 PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION MEDAL, AN ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL,
14 THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, A KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL
15 WITH TWO STARS AND THE UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL. MR.
16 OLGUIN LIVES IN MONTEREY PARK AND HE HAS FOUR CHILDREN AND WE
17 THANK YOU SO MUCH. HE WAS A FILL-IN FOR SOMEBODY WHO COULDN'T
18 MAKE IT TODAY AND HE DID SO VERY WELL. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SIR.

19

20 **EMILIO OLGUIN:** THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE]

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET'S CALL THE AGENDA.

25 SACHI?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
3 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, NOTICE OF--
4 NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM C.S.-2, WHICH WAS POSTED ON
5 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
6 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY
11 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ON ITEM 1-D, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
12 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 29TH,
13 2007.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
16 THE ORDER.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
19 AUTHORITY, ON ITEM 1-H, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT
20 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 29TH, 2007.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
23 THE ORDER.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
2 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON ITEM 1-P, AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'LL MOVE IT, MS. BURKE
6 SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16. ON
9 ITEM NUMBER 2, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THIS BE
10 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 29TH, 2007. AND, ON ITEM NUMBER 15,
11 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
12 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO
13 AUGUST 28TH, 2007. ON THE REMAINDER OF THE ITEMS, WE WILL HOLD
14 THOSE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 15, ADMINISTRATIVE
15 MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 17 THROUGH 22. ON ITEM
16 17, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
17 AND, ON ITEM 21, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
18 TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 21.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 21. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS.
25 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. ON ITEM
3 NUMBER 23, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND
4 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. BEACHES
5 AND HARBORS, ON ITEM NUMBER 24, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM
6 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM-- EXCUSE ME,
7 MENTAL HEALTH, ITEM 25, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS
8 ITEM BE HELD. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ON ITEM 26, I'LL
9 READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE
10 AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION, AND TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL
12 RESTRUCTURING IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
13 OFFICER. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS
14 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. MISCELLANEOUS,
15 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE
16 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72
17 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN
18 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 27-A.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE IT, MOLINA SECONDS.
21 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
25 DISTRICT NUMBER 4.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'LL TAKE THE

3 EMERGENCY MEDICAL PEOPLE NEED TO BE ON-- THEY'RE ON CALL AND I

4 WAS ASKED TO TAKE THEM UP FIRST, SO I'LL DO THAT BRIEFLY AND

5 THEN WE'LL START WITH MR. KNABE AFTER THAT. IF I CAN ASK THE

6 E.M.S. WEEK, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK RECIPIENTS OF THE

7 SCROLLS, YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE, DR. BRUCE CHERNOF, DR. WILLIAM

8 KANIG, KATHY CHIDESTER, THE ACTING E.M.S. AGENCY, DIRECTOR,

9 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION AND THE

10 HONOREES OF THE GREAT SAVE PROGRAM TO JOIN ME UP HERE. ARE

11 THEY HERE? HERE THEY COME. ALL RIGHT. WHILE YOU'RE WALKING UP,

12 I WILL START THE PRESENTATION. TODAY, WE ARE PROCLAIMING THIS

13 WEEK AS E.M.S. WEEK THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE COUNTY

14 HAS DEVELOPED ONE OF THE FIRST E.M.S. SYSTEMS IN THE NATION

15 AND CONTINUES TO BE THE LEADER IN THE FIELD OF PRE-HOSPITAL

16 CARE. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE SYSTEM IS A COMPREHENSIVE

17 NETWORK OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES WORKING TOGETHER TO

18 PROVIDE LIFE SAVING CARE TO OUR COMMUNITIES ON A 24/7 BASIS.

19 THE SYSTEM IS COMPOSED OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS,

20 PARAMEDICS, DISPATCHERS, PHYSICIANS, NURSES, EDUCATORS,

21 ADMINISTRATORS AND COUNTLESS OTHERS. THE E.M.S. SYSTEM

22 RESPONDS TO 600,000 EMERGENCY MEDICAL CALLS EACH YEAR IN THIS

23 COUNTY. THE E.M.S. AGENCY CONTINUES TO WORK TOWARDS IMPROVING

24 THE SYSTEM AND ENSURING THAT COUNTY RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

25 HAVE THE BEST QUALITY OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE POSSIBLE. I



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1 WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT SOME SCROLLS.
2 FIRST, TO SYLVIA BEANS, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE HEART AND STROKE
3 INITIATIVES FOR THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION. THE SUCCESS OF
4 E.M.S. SYSTEM RELIES ON COLLABORATION WITH PRIVATE PARTNERS,
5 ONE OF WHICH IS THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION. IN 2006, THE
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE S.T.
7 ELEVATION MYOCARDIAL INFARCTIONS, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
8 S.T.E.M.I. PROGRAM, RECEIVING CENTER PROGRAM, TO ALLOW
9 PARAMEDICS FOR FASTER DIAGNOSIS TO BE ABLE TO TRANSPORT AND
10 TREAT PATIENTS SUFFERING FROM CERTAIN TYPES OF ACUTE HEART
11 ATTACKS. THE AMERICAN-- BY THE WAY, PART OF THAT WAS FUNDED
12 THROUGH PROPOSITION B FUNDS WHICH WERE VOTED ON BY THE PEOPLE
13 OF THIS COUNTY IN 2002. THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION SECURED
14 PARTIAL FUNDING FROM THE ANNABURG FOUNDATION TO EQUIP LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY AND L.A. CITY FIRE DEPARTMENTS' PARAMEDICS
16 UNITS WITH 12 LEAD E.K.G. MACHINES. AS I INDICATED, MEASURE B,
17 A PARCEL TAX PASSED IN 2002 FOR EMERGENCY AND TRAUMA SERVICES
18 PROVIDED ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR 12 LEAD E.K.G. MACHINES AND
19 TRAINING COSTS FOR PARAMEDIC FIRST RESPONDERS. THESE MACHINES
20 ALLOW PARAMEDICS IN THE FIELD TO DETERMINE, IN TWO MINUTES,
21 WHETHER PATIENTS ARE EXPERIENCING AN ACUTE HEART ATTACK AND
22 THEN TRANSPORT THEM TO DESIGNATED HOSPITAL WITH SPECIALIZED
23 STAFF AND CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION LABS. WE DID LIKE TO THANK
24 THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION FOR CONTINUING TO IMPROVE THE
25 HEALTHCARE AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF LOS



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1 ANGELES COUNTY AND, SYLVIA, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS
2 PROCLAMATION TO YOU. AND, AGAIN, THE HEART ASSOCIATION HAS
3 BEEN SUCH A GREAT PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY ON SO MANY THINGS.
4 WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. I HAVE A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL
5 PROCLAMATIONS TO PRESENT TO THE GREAT SAVE S.T.E.M.I. PROGRAM.
6 WE'RE ALSO HERE TO PROVIDE REAL LIFE TESTIMONY ON HOW THE
7 COUNTY'S E.M.S. SYSTEM AND THE S.T.E.M.I. PROGRAM SAVE LIVES
8 EACH AND EVERY DAY. ON FEBRUARY 15TH, GERARDO JACOB
9 EXPERIENCED CHEST PAIN AND WENT TO A LOCAL CLINIC WHERE AN
10 E.K.G. WAS PERFORMED. THE MEDICAL STAFF DETERMINED THAT HE WAS
11 HAVING A HEART ATTACK AND QUICKLY CONTACTED PARAMEDICS TO
12 TRANSPORT MR. JACOB TO AN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. PARAMEDICS DON
13 CUNNIGAN AND MASACAZU MATSURA ARRIVED ONTO THE SCENE,
14 COMPLETED ANOTHER E.K.G. AND RUSHED MR. JACOB TO GLENDALE
15 ADVENTIST MEDICAL CENTER, ONE OF 25 COUNTY APPROVED S.T.E.M.I.
16 RECEIVING CENTERS. THANKS TO THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE
17 COUNTY'S E.M.S. AGENCY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE AND LOS
18 ANGELES CITY FIRE, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND NONPROFIT
19 AGENCIES IN ESTABLISHING THE S.T.E.M.I. RECEIVING CENTER
20 PROGRAM, MR. JACOB IS ALIVE AND WELL AND BACK TO WORK ENJOYING
21 HIS LIFE. I'D LIKE TO ASK DR. KANIG, E.M.S. AGENCY MEDICAL
22 DIRECTOR TO PROVIDE BRIEF REMARKS ON THE S.T.E.M.I. PROGRAM'S
23 CONTRIBUTION TO OUR COMMUNITY AND THEN WE'LL MAKE SOME
24 PRESENTATIONS.
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1 **DR. KANIG:** I JUST WANTED TO SAY, AS THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF
2 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY E.M.S., THE S.T.E.M.I. RECEIVING CENTER
3 PROGRAM HAS BEEN IN EFFECT FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE MONTHS AND
4 THE NUMBER OF CENTERS THAT'S BEEN APPROVED HAS BEEN 25. WE
5 EXPECT 31. THERE'S NO GREATER EXAMPLE OF E.M.S. COOPERATION
6 THAN THE S.T.E.M.I. RECEIVING CENTER PROGRAM. AS THE
7 PARAMEDICS APPLY A 12-LEAD ELECTROCARDIOGRAM TO THE PATIENT
8 AND IDENTIFY A S.T.E.M.I., THE PATIENT IS TAKEN TO A CENTER
9 THAT IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDE 24/7 CARE TO THAT PATIENT BY
10 CALLING IN AN INTERVENTIONIST, A CARDIOLOGIST AND THEN TAKING
11 THE PATIENT IMMEDIATELY TO THE CATH. LAB. WE'VE HAD OVER 300
12 PATIENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BENEFIT ALREADY FROM THIS
13 SYSTEM AND JUDY GRAMALDI FROM GLENDALE ADVENTIS WILL GIVE YOU
14 AN EXAMPLE OF HOW RAPID THAT CARE CAN BE.

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16 **JUDY GRAMALDI:** THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBERS. ON FEBRUARY 15TH,
17 AT APPROXIMATELY 6:30 IN THE MORNING, PATIENT GERARDO JACOB
18 BEGAN EXPERIENCING CHEST PAIN. HE KNEW ENOUGH THAT IT WAS
19 SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT, SO HE WENT TO A CLINIC OVER ON OLYMPIC
20 BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN HERE. THE CLINIC DID A 12-LEAD E.K.G.
21 WHICH, IN FACT, SHOWED THAT MR. JACOB WAS HAVING AN ACUTE HEART
22 ATTACK. L.A. CITY RESCUE 20 RESPONDED TO THE 9-1-1 CALL TO THE
23 CLINIC. THEY CONFIRMED, UTILIZING THEIR FIELD E.K.G.
24 EQUIPMENT, THAT, IN FACT, MR. JACOB WAS HAVING AN ACUTE M.I.
25 THEY CONTACTED GLENDALE ADVENTIS MEDICAL CENTER, OUR BASE



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1 STATION AND OUR M.I.C.N., OR MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE NURSE, KIM
2 NAP, ANSWER THE RADIO AND, ONCE SHE HEARD FROM PARAMEDICS ON
3 RESCUE 20, WHICH ARE DON CUNNIGAN AND MASA MATSUGA THAT, IN
4 FACT, MR. JACOB WAS HAVING AN M.I., THEY BYPASSED SEVERAL
5 HOSPITALS DOWNTOWN TO TRANSPORT THE PATIENT TO OUR S.T.E.M.I.
6 RECEIVING CENTER. SIMULTANEOUSLY, WE HAD ACTIVATED OUR CATH.
7 LAB TEAM. BY THE TIME RESCUE 20 ROLLED IN THE DOOR, OUR E.R.
8 STAFF, REPRESENTED TODAY BY KIM NAP, AND THE REST OF OUR
9 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TEAM, INCLUDING DR. HARLAN GIBBS AND
10 SEVERAL OF OUR OTHER NURSES BEGAN IMMEDIATE CARE FOR MR.
11 JACOBS. THE CARDIOLOGIST ARRIVED IN THE E.R. WITHIN
12 APPROXIMATELY THREE MINUTES OF RESCUE 20'S ARRIVAL WITH THE
13 PATIENT AND, WITHIN 7 MINUTES, THE PATIENT WAS ON HIS WAY TO
14 THE CATH. LAB. IN THE CATH. LAB, THEIR TEAM, REPRESENTED BY
15 SOME OF OUR ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL FROM THE CATH. LAB, BEGAN
16 TO DO AN ANGIOPLASTY ON THE PATIENT AND, IN FACT, PLACED TWO
17 STENTS OR LITTLE WIRE CAGES THAT SUPPORT THE CORONARY ARTERIES
18 IN AN OPEN POSITION BECAUSE THEY HAD BEEN COMPLETELY OCCLUDED.
19 WITHOUT THAT PROCEDURE, MR. JACOB WOULD NOT BE WITH US TODAY.
20 UNFORTUNATELY, DOWNTOWN L.A. CITY TRAFFIC IS NOW KEEPING MR.
21 JACOB AWAY FROM THIS PRESENTATION. WE WERE HOPING HE WOULD BE
22 HERE BUT HE DIDN'T QUITE MAKE IT, BUT IT IS THE TEAMWORK,
23 ESPECIALLY RECOGNIZABLE DURING E.M.S. WEEK, RECOGNIZING THE
24 FIELD PERSONNEL, RESCUE 20 AND ALL OF THEIR SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR
25 L.A. CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE STAFF AT GLENDALE ADVENTIS



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1 MEDICAL CENTER IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT AND IN THE CATH.
2 LAB AS WELL AS THE I.C.U. STAFF THAT MR. JACOB WAS DISCHARGED
3 JUST TWO DAYS LATER, HAVING SUFFERED A MAJOR HEART ATTACK
4 THAT, A FEW YEARS BACK, MIGHT HAVE BEEN HIS DEMISE. SO I'D
5 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING THIS
6 CASE AND THANK ALL OF THE PERSONNEL INVOLVED WITH THIS GREAT
7 SAVE.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT'S INTERESTING WHEN YOU
12 LOOK BEHIND ME AT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE EVOLVED IN--
13 MOST OF THEM ARE INVOLVED IN THIS ONE CASE OR THE INSTITUTIONS
14 THAT THEY REPRESENT THAT WERE INVOLVED IN ONE CASE. E.M.S. IS
15 EXPENSIVE. LIFE SAVING IS EXPENSIVE AND THE PEOPLE OF THIS
16 COUNTY HAVE MADE A COMMITMENT THAT IT'S WORTH WHATEVER IT
17 TAKES TO SAVE LIVES LIKE MR. JACOBS' AND THE REASON IT'S
18 EXPENSIVE IS BECAUSE OF THE HIGH LEVEL OF PROFESSIONALISM AND
19 COMMITMENT AND THE LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH THAT
20 PROFESSIONALISM AND COMMITMENT THAT IT TAKES TO SAVE ONE LIFE
21 AND WE'RE CERTAINLY PROUD TO BE A PART OF THAT SYSTEM. SO I
22 WANT TO-- I DON'T KNOW WHO MADE IT THROUGH THE TRAFFIC BUT DON
23 CUNNIGAN IS HERE, I KNOW. DON, I'D LIKE YOU TO ACCEPT THIS
24 PROCLAMATION. MASAKAZA MATSURA. HARLAN GIBBS, THE GLENDALE
25 ADVENTIS MEDICAL CENTER EMERGENCY ROOM DOCTOR, IS HE HERE?



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1 HE'S NOT HERE. OKAY. WE'LL GIVE YOU THESE. HOW ABOUT KIM NAP?
2 KIM IS HERE. KIM REPRESENTS GLENDALE ADVENTIS MEDICAL CENTER.
3 AGAIN, THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT REGISTERED NURSE. MARK
4 LANDENHEIM. NOT HERE. OKAY. AND SID EDDMINE. OKAY. LEE ALLEN
5 IS REPRESENTING SID AND THE GLENDALE ADVENTIS MEDICAL CENTER
6 CATH. LAB TEAM. WHO'S REPRESENTING THE COUNTY HEALTH
7 DEPARTMENT HERE? BRUCE, THERE YOU ARE. YOU SNUCK IN. I WANT TO
8 PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION FROM ALL FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
9 OF SUPERVISORS DECLARING-- OKAY, ALL OF YOU JOIN-- DECLARING
10 THIS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
11 ANGELES. I DON'T NEED TO READ THE PROCLAMATION. I THINK THE
12 TESTIMONY WE'VE HEARD IN THE LAST FEW MINUTES IS REASON
13 ENOUGH. AS WE SAID FOUR OR FIVE YEARS AGO WHEN WE PUSHED FOR
14 PROPOSITION B, YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN THE BELL'S GOING TO TOLL
15 FOR YOU. YOU'RE ONE HEART ATTACK OR STROKE AWAY FROM NEEDING
16 THE E.M.S. SYSTEM, YOU'RE ONE DRUNK DRIVER AWAY FROM NEEDING A
17 TRAUMA CENTER. YOU NEVER KNOW. AND, WHEN YOU NEED IT, THESE
18 PEOPLE ARE THERE FOR YOU. SO, BRUCE, IF YOU'LL ACCEPT THIS ON
19 BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR THE WORK
20 YOU DO IN COORDINATING THE E.M.S. SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
21 OF LOS ANGELES. IT'S THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY AND YOU DO A
22 GREAT JOB ON THAT. [APPLAUSE]
23



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AS LIVING PROOF THAT
2 YOU CANNOT ONLY LIVE THROUGH A HEART ATTACK BUT THROUGH L.A.
3 TRAFFIC. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'VE TOLD ALL THE PEOPLE OF LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY ABOUT EVERY DETAIL OF YOUR HEALTH INCIDENT, SO
7 THERE ARE NO SECRETS ANY MORE. WE APPRECIATE THAT YOU'VE COME
8 DOWN HERE TO ACCEPT THIS COMMENDATION. YOU'RE AN EXAMPLE OF
9 THE MANY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE EVERY YEAR THAT THE E.M.S. SYSTEM
10 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HELPS AND SAVES, AND WE'RE GLAD TO SEE
11 YOU HERE AND IN GOOD SHAPE. CONGRATULATIONS. ALL BEST TO YOU.
12 [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, GERARDO.
15 BRUCE? DR. CHERNOF?

16

17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
18 SERVICES, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, OTHER SUPERVISORS, I REALLY
19 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIRELESS SUPPORT OF THE E.M.S.
20 SERVICE. IT'S A CRITICAL ELEMENT OF HEALTHCARE HERE IN LOS
21 ANGELES. IT IS A FINE EXAMPLE OF HOW WE CAN WORK TOGETHER WITH
22 OTHER AGENCIES, MANY OF WHOM ARE UP HERE TODAY, BOTH PUBLIC
23 AND PRIVATE SECTOR, TO REALLY STEP IN AND SAVE LIVES WHEN
24 NECESSARY, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE,
25 TOO.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** ZEV, ARE YOU GOING TO DO EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH?

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I CAN DO THAT, YEAH. WHY DON'T YOU
7 START AND I'LL PICK UP AFTER. YOU KNOW WHAT?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AT THIS TIME,
10 I WOULD LIKE TO ASK CHIEF BOB TAYLOR, DIRECTOR OF PROBATION,
11 MADELEINE ANTONOVICH, DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER AND GAYLE
12 MACFARLANE SOSA, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATION READ TO JOIN
13 ME FOR THIS PRESENTATION, ALONG WITH BOARD OF EDUCATION
14 MEMBERS, ANGIE PAPADAKOS AND BECKY TARANTINE, IF BECKY HAS
15 MADE IT. WHEN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVED THE MOTION TO
16 CREATE OPERATION READ IN 1999, OUR GOAL WAS TO INCREASE THE
17 LITERACY OF THE YOUTH IN OUR CARE. I AM PLEASED TO SAY THAT
18 OPERATION READ HAS ASSISTED OVER 12,000 STUDENTS TO RAISE
19 THEIR READING SKILLS, WHICH HELP THEM TO REACH THEIR
20 EDUCATIONAL GOALS AND TO INCREASE THEIR SELF ESTEEM. OPERATION
21 READ IS A PART OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP TO PREVENT
22 RECIDIVISM AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, A PREVENTION STRATEGY FOR
23 OUR YOUTH. WE HAVE WITH US TODAY FIVE COMMUNITY-BASED
24 ORGANIZATIONS. THESE ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENT EACH OF THE
25 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND THEY ARE BEING RECOGNIZED FOR



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1 THEIR COMMITMENT TO YOUTH AND TO LITERACY BY PROVIDING
2 TUTORING INSTRUCTION TO THE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THEIR
3 EXEMPLARY SERVICE WILL CONTINUE TO ASPIRE THE YOUTH TO FUTURE
4 ENDEAVORS. EARLIER THIS MORNING-- CAN I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION?
5 EARLIER THIS MORNING AT A RECEPTION, WE HONORED STUDENTS FOR
6 THEIR DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO OPERATION READ. THEY WORKED
7 VERY HARD TO IMPROVE THEIR READING AND THEIR WRITING AND
8 SPELLING SKILLS, AND EVERY ONE OF THESE STUDENTS INCREASED
9 THEIR READING LEVEL AT LEAST ONE FULL GRADE LEVEL. I'D LIKE TO
10 ASK ALL THOSE STUDENTS TO PLEASE STAND UP AND WE'LL GIVE THEM
11 A BIG A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** AS WE TOLD YOU THIS MORNING, WE CONGRATULATE YOU
14 AND HONOR YOU TODAY BUT, MOST IMPORTANTLY, KEEP UP. THIS IS
15 NOT A DESTINATION BUT A JOURNEY AND YOU CAN'T DO THE MOST
16 BASIC OF JOBS IN THIS WORLD WITHOUT THE ABILITY TO READ, SO
17 KEEP IT UP, KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN. [
18 APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. NOW WE'RE GOING TO INTRODUCE THE
21 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT PARTICIPATE IN OPERATION
22 READ FROM EACH OF THE DISTRICTS. IF THE SUPERVISOR IS
23 AVAILABLE, I WILL ASK EACH ONE TO JOIN US FROM THE FIRST
24 DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT, WE HAVE CHINATOWN
25 SERVICE CENTER, BONNIE ALVAREZ. BONNIE? [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT, A COMMUNITY-BASED
3 ORGANIZATION FROM PEOPLE WHO CARE, THERESA MCKELLEN. [
4 APPLAUSE]

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, FROM NEW DIRECTIONS FOR
7 YOUTH, PRECIOUS WILLIAMS. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, GREAT PROGRAM, LONG
10 BEACH BLAST, ALEX BAY. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT, THE ASIAN YOUTH CENTER,
13 LYNN LEE. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D ASK BOB AND GAYLE IF THEY'D LIKE TO SAY A
16 COUPLE OF WORDS.

17

18 **GAYLE MCFARLANE:** I WANT TO CONGRATULATE ALL THE YOUTH FOR ALL
19 THE GREAT THINGS THAT THEY'VE DONE, THAT THEY'VE WORKED REALLY
20 HARD TO INCREASE THEIR READING SKILLS AND I ENCOURAGE THEM TO
21 CONTINUE. AND SUMMERTIME IS COMING, GO TO LIBRARY AND CONTINUE
22 TO READ. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **BOB TAYLOR:** YOU KNOW, UNFORTUNATELY, I OFTEN SEE THE
25 CONSEQUENCES OF PEOPLE WHO DON'T LEARN TO READ, WHO DON'T



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1 DEVELOP SKILLS, THEY WIND UP IN OUR JUVENILE HALLS AND OUR
2 JUVENILE CAMPS AND I INDICATED TO THE GROUP EARLIER TODAY THAT
3 THE READING SKILL LEVEL OF MOST OF THOSE CHILDREN IS AT ABOUT
4 GRADE 4-1/2 FOR SOMEBODY WHO IS 16 YEARS OF AGE AND THAT'S A
5 SAD COMMENTARY. SO LEARNING TO READ AND READING IS A SKILL
6 THAT MUST BE ACQUIRED AND LEARNING TO READ AND CONTINUING TO
7 READ AND CONTINUING TO EXCEL IS A LIFELONG PROCESS SO, THANK
8 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU ALL FOR WHAT YOU DO AND, AGAIN,
11 CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KIDS OUT THERE. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.
12 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** NOW I'D LIKE TO INVITE MIKE HERSICK, WHO IS
15 PRESIDENT OF BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF
16 EDUCATION, RICK COMPENYON, WHO IS SUPERINTENDENT, NANCY
17 GAINES, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, PAT DIXON, PRINCIPAL OF
18 SOMERSET HIGH SCHOOL, PAM MCCACKEN, THE ADMINISTRATOR OF
19 SOMERSET TO JOIN ME. I'M GOING TO ASK ANGIE TO COME BACK,
20 ANGIE PAPADAKOS AND BECKY IF SHE'S HERE TO JOIN US AS A MEMBER
21 OF OUR COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION. BECKY IS ALSO RETIRED
22 BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL STATE SUPERINTENDENT. AND ALSO
23 INVITE L.A.C.O.E.'S ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, DAVID FLORES TO
24 JOIN US AS WELL. STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, JACK
25 O'CONNELL, NAMED 13 CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS AS 2007 MODEL



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1 CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOLS BASED ON THE SCHOOL'S OUTSTANDING
2 PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO ASSIST STUDENTS AT THOSE PARTICULAR
3 SCHOOLS. TWO OF THE 13 SCHOOLS ARE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT AND
4 TODAY I'M RECOGNIZING ONE OF THEM, SOMERSET HIGH SCHOOL IN THE
5 BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SOMERSET WAS CHOSEN FOR
6 ITS OUTSTANDING PROGRAM OF EFFECTIVENESS, SCHOOL MANAGEMENT,
7 CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES, ASSESSMENT AND
8 EVALUATION, SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT, GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING.
9 SOMERSET WILL RETAIN ITS TITLE FOR THREE YEARS AND THEN MUST
10 SUBMIT AN ANNUAL ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE TO MAINTAIN THE
11 DESIGNATION. SOMERSET JOINS AN ELITE GROUP OF ONLY 61 SCHOOLS
12 THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT HAVE RECEIVED
13 THIS RECOGNITION. SO WE'RE HERE TODAY TO SAY THANK YOU FOR
14 YOUR EFFORTS, CONGRATULATIONS AND OBVIOUSLY THE MOST IMPORTANT
15 PART OF ALL OF THIS IS NO ONE BENEFITS MORE THAN THE STUDENTS
16 THEMSELVES. SO CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THIS REALLY--
19 THIS AWARD AND RECOGNITION REALLY BELONGS TO THE STUDENTS OF
20 SOMERSET AND THE STAFF OF SOMERSET, ESPECIALLY THE PRINCIPAL,
21 MR. PAT DIXON, AND OUR SUPERINTENDENT, MR. RICK COMPINEN, AND
22 HIS ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS. THE STUDENTS AND STAFF AND THE
23 TEACHERS IN THE DISTRICT, ESPECIALLY AT SOMERSET, MAKE THIS
24 KIND OF THING HAPPEN. THANK YOU SO MUCH TO THEM, I APPRECIATE



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1 ALL THEY DO AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR THIS
2 RECOGNITION.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU ALL. CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN TO SOMERSET.
5 MR. CHAIRMAN?

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE-- MR. ANTONOVICH, I'M
8 SORRY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WE TALK ABOUT WORKING WITH THE HOMELESS,
11 THE FIFTH DISTRICT'S PHILOSOPHY HAS ALWAYS BEEN WE WORK WITH
12 THE COMMUNITIES FIRST, YOU NEVER JAM ANYTHING DOWN ANYONE'S
13 NEIGHBORHOOD WITHOUT WORKING WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO ENSURE
14 THAT YOU HAVE FULL COOPERATION. IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY,
15 WITH THE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, WE CREATED A TASK FORCE
16 TO ESTABLISH THE EMERGENCY WINTER SHELTER FOR THAT COMMUNITY.
17 IN WORKING WITH THE TOWN COUNCILS, THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
18 AND THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, ALONG WITH LEADERS IN THE
19 FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY AND THE COMMUNITY LEADERS, WE'RE ABLE TO
20 COME UP WITH SITES THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE NEXT NINE
21 YEARS, A NINE YEAR SHELTER PLAN FOR THE HOMELESS IN THE SANTA
22 CLARITA VALLEY. WITH US TODAY IS LARRY EDMUNDSTON, MY
23 COMMISSIONER ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICE
24 AUTHORITY; TIM DAVIS, WHO IS THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY'S
25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.; DR. JUDY FISH, SUPERINTENDENT OF



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1 THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT; DON FLEMING OF VALENCIA CURE
2 WEST RANCH TOWN COUNCIL; BOB HOUDER, CHIEF OF STAFF TO
3 CONGRESSMAN BUCK MCKEON AND FORMER DEPUTY TO MY OFFICE; LARRY
4 JOHNSON, THE EMERGENCY WINTER SHELTER VOLUNTEER; LINDA MALABRA
5 OF THE LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES; RONALD MENCHNER OF THE WEST
6 RANCH TOWN COUNCIL; LARRY RAHMANSON OF SPIRIT PROPERTIES. IN
7 MARCH 2006, I APPOINTED SEVERAL CONSTITUENTS TO THE SANTA
8 CLARITA EMERGENCY WINTER SHELTER TASK FORCE. IT INCLUDED
9 REPRESENTATIVES, AS I SAID, FROM THE TOWN COUNCILS TO BUSINESS
10 COMMUNITY, THE SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS, THE FAITH-BASED
11 COMMUNITY, THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, THE COUNTY OF LOS
12 ANGELES AND LOCAL RESIDENTS. THE MISSION OF THE TASK FORCE WAS
13 TO IDENTIFY LOCATIONS FOR EMERGENCY WINTER SHELTERS FOR THE
14 HOMELESS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. THEY MET MONTHLY FROM
15 MARCH TO DECEMBER IN 2006 AND, FROM A LIST OF 35 PROPERTIES,
16 FOUR WERE IDENTIFIED THAT WILL BE USED FOR TWO YEARS EACH AND
17 ROTATE TO THE OTHERS. IN ADDITION TO THE SHELTER, THE
18 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO THE HOMELESS WILL INCLUDE MEALS,
19 MEDICAL CARE, JOB TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, MOSTLY IMPORTANTLY,
20 ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTHCARE. EFFECTIVELY ADDRESSING
21 HOMELESSNESS FOR THE LONG TERM REQUIRES THE ONGOING
22 PRIVATE/PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS THAT INCLUDES CHARITABLE AND
23 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, THE RESIDENTS OF SANTA CLARITA AND
24 STATE LEGISLATION THAT WILL REQUIRE MANDATORY REHABILITATION
25 PROGRAMS FOR THOSE ADDICTED TO ALCOHOL AND DRUGS AND MEDICAL



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1 TREATMENT FOR THOSE WHO ARE MENTALLY ILL. WE APPRECIATE THE
2 DEDICATION AND HARD WORK THAT THESE VOLUNTEERS HAVE DONATED
3 THEIR TIME AND THEIR ENERGY. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS, LET US RECOGNIZE THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
5 EMERGENCY WINTER SHELTER TASK FORCE ON HOW YOU WORK WITH A
6 COMMUNITY, NOT AGAINST THE COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **SPEAKER:** WELL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IT WAS OUR
9 PLEASURE TO BE OF SERVICE. I THINK WE FOUND SOME SOLUTIONS FOR
10 THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP AND YOUR STAFF
11 IN GUIDING US IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYONE ELSE WANT TO SAY ANYTHING?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO ESPECIALLY FROM THE SANTA CLARITA
16 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WHO OPERATES THE SHELTER,
17 THANK THE SUPERVISOR FOR HELPING US PUT TOGETHER A NINE YEAR
18 PLAN. SO, FOR THE NEXT NINE YEARS, INSTEAD OF TRYING TO FIGURE
19 OUT WHERE WE'LL BE THE COMING WINTER, WE'LL FOCUS ON CLIENT
20 SERVICES, GET MORE HELP TO THE PEOPLE AND HOPEFULLY REDUCE THE
21 NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WE'RE GIVING SERVICES TO. THANK YOU,
22 SUPERVISOR. APPRECIATE THAT.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES, I WOULD LIKE
25 TO SAY THANK YOU. HOMELESSNESS IS AN ISSUE THAT'S NOT GOING



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1 AWAY AND I'M REALLY PROUD TO SAY THAT OUR OFFICE IS ABLE TO
2 HELP MANY INDIVIDUALS ALL YEAR ROUND AND WE HOPE TO CONTINUE.
3 THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW IT'S MY PLEASURE TO CALL UP MEMBERS OF
6 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY CHILDREN'S CHOIR TO MAKE A SPECIAL
7 PRESENTATION TO OUR BOARD. WITH US IS NANCY CHUTE, WHO IS THE
8 DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR; KELLY MARSH, ANTELOPE VALLEY
9 CHILDREN'S CHOIR MANAGER; AND THE SINGERS: AARON FREY,
10 JENNIFER FREY, CAGEN MARSH, CASEY COOK, MATTHEW CLARKE, ALLIE
11 STEWART, SARA FOSTER. THE ANTELOPE VALLEY CHILDREN'S CHOIR IS
12 A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH THE MISSION OF PROVIDING QUALITY
13 MUSIC INSTRUCTION AND ATTAINING THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF ARTISTIC
14 EXCELLENCE IN CHORAL PERFORMANCE. THEY WERE FOUNDED IN 1995.
15 THE AWARD WINNING CHILDREN'S CHOIR HAS HAD THREE CHOIR LEVELS
16 COMPRISED OF CHILDREN FROM AGES 8 TO 17. THE DIRECTOR AND THE
17 CHOIR PERFORM A WIDE VARIETY OF MUSICAL STYLES RANGING FROM
18 CLASSICAL TO POPULAR AS WELL AS SONGS IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES.
19 SO, LET ME CALL YOU UP.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE HERE TODAY BECAUSE WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
22 YOUR SUPPORT. BECAUSE OF YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR ORGANIZATION, WE
23 HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ASSIST STUDENTS THAT WOULDN'T NORMALLY GET
24 TO BE A PART OF OUR ORGANIZATION, FINANCIALLY, TO BE ABLE TO
25 PARTICIPATE. WE TRAVELED TO CARNEGIE HALL LAST MARCH AND WE



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1 WERE ABLE TO DO THAT PARTIALLY BECAUSE OF THE ASSISTANCE THAT
2 YOU KNOW GIVEN US AND SO WE HAVE A PLAQUE TODAY TO PRESENT TO
3 YOU THAT HAS A PICTURE OF US PERFORMING AT CARNEGIE HALL.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CARNEGIE HALL, WELL, THAT'S REALLY SOMETHING!

6

7 **SPEAKER:** IT WAS VERY EXCITING AND WE JUST REALLY WANT TO THANK
8 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SING A SONG?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** SURE, WE'LL SING A LITTLE BIT OF A SONG THAT WE KNOW.
13 EVEN THOUGH THE YEARS MAY COME AND GO STILL OUR FRIENDSHIP
14 WILL NOT DISAPPEAR WE WILL BE TOGETHER IN MY MEMORIES I'LL
15 REMEMBER YOU THROUGH THE YEARS THROUGH THE YEARS YOU'LL LIVE
16 WITHIN MY HEART I'LL RECALL THE LAUGHTER AND THE TEARS NOW I
17 WISH YOU ALL THE BEST THAT LIFE CAN GIVE I'LL REMEMBER YOU
18 THROUGH THE YEARS [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE GYPSY. SHE'S EIGHT WEEKS
21 OLD, A LITTLE CALICO KITTEN. THERE'S LITTLE GYPSY. ANYBODY'D
22 LIKE TO ADOPT HER? OKAY. SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. NOW, WHAT
23 IS SPECIAL ABOUT GYPSY TODAY? THIS WILL BE THE 600TH ANIMAL TO
24 BE ADOPTED FROM THIS PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE PROVIDED. THEY HAVE
25 FOUND HOMES. THE NEWSPAPER PUT THIS ON THE FRONT PAGE IN THIS



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1 WEEK'S EDITION ON THIS-- COMMEMORATING THIS EVENT AND YOU SEE
2 WE'VE HAD... [MEOWING]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH. YOU WANT TO SAY AGAIN? WE'VE HAD
5 RABBITS, CATS, KITTENS, DOGS, PUPPIES, ALL FINDING LITTLE
6 HOMES. [MEOWING] [LAUGHTER]

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO SHE'S SAYING, "PLEASE, I WOULD LIKE TO GO
9 WITH YOU AND SHE HAS A LOT OF COUSINS AND GOOD FRIENDS THAT
10 ALSO WANT TO BE ADOPTED, SO IF YOU CALL THE NUMBER (562) 728-
11 4644, CALICO OR ONE OF HER FRIENDS OR ONE OF HER RELATIVES...
12 [MEOWING]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND SHE HAS A LOT OF THEM THERE. AND THEY'D
15 LIKE TO HAVE... [MEOWING]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH. OKAY. THANK YOU. SUCH A SWEET LITTLE
18 GIRL.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MS. MOLINA, DO
21 YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? MS. BURKE? WHILE YOU'RE GETTING
22 UP, LET ME JUST INTRODUCE IN THE AUDIENCE, WE HAVE A SPECIAL
23 GUEST VISITING WITH US FROM OVERSEAS, THE HONORABLE DAVID
24 YASKOVIC, A MEMBER OF THE POLISH PARLIAMENT, IS VISITING THE
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING THIS MORNING FOR A FEW MINUTES.



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1 HE IS A GUEST OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATES IN
2 INTERNATIONAL VISITOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WAS MEETING EARLIER THIS MORNING
5 IN THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE TO LEARN ABOUT WHAT THE COUNTY DOES AND
6 MAYBE YOU COULD EXPLAIN IT TO THE REST OF US AND ITS
7 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS.
8 VERY COMPLICATED BUT IT WAS A PLEASURE TO HAVE YOU HERE AND
9 HOPE YOU HAVE A GOOD TRIP, PLEASANT TRIP BACK HOME. MS. BURKE?

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'D LIKE TO CALL THELMA SMITH
12 FORWARD. SHE TURNED 90 THIS PAST SUNDAY, AND SHE'S, OF COURSE,
13 A DEAR FRIEND... [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** A LONG-TIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO IS KNOWN
16 BY MANY. BUT THE THING THAT WE HONOR HER FOR MOST OF ALL IS
17 FOR ALL OF HER HARD WORK. SHE'S BEEN INSTRUMENTAL AND ACTIVE
18 IN THE ORGANIZATION AND THE CONTINUING SERVICES THAT ARE
19 RENDERED BY SUGAR RAY ROBINSON YOUTH FOUNDATION SINCE ITS
20 INCEPTION IN 1969. SHE'S ALSO BEEN PART OF A LOT OF POLITICAL
21 CAMPAIGNS, TOM BRADLEY'S, THE LATE JULIAN DIXON'S AND MANY
22 OTHERS. I'M PLEASED TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO THELMA SMITH AS
23 AN ACTIVE MEMBER STILL OF SUGAR RAY ROBINSON YOUTH FOUNDATION.
24 SHE'S STILL WORKING, SHE'S STILL MAKING IT HAPPEN THERE, SHE'S



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1 STILL HELPING KIDS AND, MOST OF ALL, TO SAY TO HER, HAPPY 90TH
2 BIRTHDAY, THELMA. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **THELMA SMITH:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE. I'M BOTH PLEASED
5 AND PROUD, PLEASED FOR THE HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF MY 90TH
6 BIRTHDAY, PLEASED THAT I'M ABLE TO BE HERE TO ACCEPT IT, PROUD
7 OF MY LONG-TIME ASSOCIATION WITH YOU AND YOUR CONTINUED
8 SUPPORT OF THE SUGAR RAY ROBINSON YOUTH FOUNDATION YOUTH
9 PROGRAMS, MUCH STILL NEEDED, PROUD TO BE A LONG-TIME
10 CONSTITUENT IN YOUR SUPERVISOR DISTRICT. SINCE THERE ARE MANY
11 OTHERS WHO ARE DESERVING AND BEING RECOGNIZED TODAY, MY
12 CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THEM, TOO. I ASK MY EXTENDED FAMILY,
13 MY FRIENDS, MY STAFF AND RELATIVES WHO CARED ENOUGH TO SUPPORT
14 ME TODAY, TO REMEMBER ME IN THEIR PRAYERS AND HEART. I DID NOT
15 WALK ALONE BUT I DID DO THE BEST I COULD. THANK YOU AGAIN,
16 SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND YOUR STAFF FOR THEIR FRIENDSHIP,
17 KINDNESS AND RESPECT.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** I SHOULD ADD, THIS IS THE FOUNDATION THAT THE
22 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN A LONG SUPPORTER OVER THE
23 YEARS, FROM 1969, RIGHT?

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25 **THELMA SMITH:** UH HUH.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IT DOES SO MUCH GOOD WORK THAT-- MR. HAHN WAS
3 A STRONG SUPPORTER. SO THEY'RE CONTINUING IN THEIR WORK AND
4 THELMA IS STILL CONTINUING TO WORK. [APPLAUSE]

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** THE OTHER PRESENTATIONS I HAVE ARE PART OF YOURS.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** OPERATION READ, IS THAT PART OF YOURS?

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE SPOTLIGHT AWARD WINNERS-- OR
13 SPOTLIGHT AWARD FINALISTS. I THINK WE'LL DO THOSE NOW. I THINK
14 WE ALL HAVE SOME OF THE PRESENTATIONS, SO LET ME JUST-- TODAY,
15 WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF A GROUP
16 OF OUTSTANDING STUDENT FINALISTS WHO RECENTLY WERE HONORED AT
17 THE 19TH ANNUAL MUSIC CENTER SPOTLIGHT AWARDS EVENT WHICH I
18 HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF ATTENDING. IT'S ALWAYS AN INSPIRATIONAL
19 EVENT. 12 PERFORMING ARTS STUDENTS AND FOUR VISUAL ARTS
20 STUDENTS WERE HONORED FOR THEIR WORK AND RECEIVED CASH GIFTS.
21 DUE TO SCHOOL CONFLICTS, NOT ALL OF THEM COULD BE HERE TODAY
22 BUT MANY OF THEM ARE. THE SPOTLIGHT AWARDS IS A REALLY REGION-
23 WIDE PROGRAM WHICH BRINGS TOGETHER TALENTED ARTISTS IN THE
24 HIGH SCHOOLS OF OUR REGION. THEY COMPETE AS MUCH AGAINST
25 THEMSELVES OR FOR THEMSELVES AS THEY DO AGAINST OTHER STUDENTS



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1 AND WHAT RESULTS IS ONE OF THE MOST INSPIRATIONAL SET OF
2 PERFORMANCES THAT YOU WILL EVER SEE. I WILL TELL YOU THAT I'VE
3 ALWAYS TRIED TO HANDICAP THE WINNERS AND I'M BATTING LESS THAN
4 25%. SHOWS YOU HOW MUCH THOSE JUDGES KNOW. THEY'RE ALL
5 OUTSTANDING AND THEY ALL HAVE GREAT CAREERS AHEAD OF THEM AND
6 ALL OF US ARE GOING TO PRESENT SOME CERTIFICATES TO THE
7 FINALISTS WHO HAIL FROM OUR DISTRICTS AND I WILL DO THE FIRST
8 ONE MYSELF FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. ALEXANDRIA MITCHELL, WHO--
9 THERE YOU ARE. NICE TO MEET YOU. 16 YEARS OLD, IN THE CATEGORY
10 OF BALLET, SHE'S A JUNIOR AND A SCHOLAR OF DISTINCTION AT
11 KEYSTONE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL. BALLET IS TOUGH. THAT'S ALL I
12 CAN SAY. IT'S HARD ON THOSE TOES. SO, ALEXANDRIA,
13 CONGRATULATIONS. YOU'VE STILL GOT ANOTHER YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL
14 AND THEN OFF TO THE RACES, SO WE WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK IN
15 THE REST OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL CAREER AND IN THE REST OF YOUR
16 FUTURE CAREER. [APPLAUSE]

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE ONE, GLORIA?

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, AND LET ME SAY THAT I HIGHLY PROTEST THAT I
21 DON'T HAVE ONE, NOT ONE FROM MY DISTRICT AND NOT ONE JUDGE IN
22 HERE THAT LOOKS LIKE ME.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. DON'T COMPLAIN TO ME.
25 SUPERVISOR BURKE.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO CALL CHRISTOPHER
3 NOBLESS HERE. AND HE'S 17, A JUNIOR AT ALEXANDER HAMILTON HIGH
4 SCHOOL. HE STUDIES BALLET AT DEBBIE ALLEN DANCE ACADEMY UNDER
5 THE DIRECTION OF DEBBIE ALLEN, MADAM ADRIANNE DELLIS, VITALIE
6 ATUSHKAN AND ALLAH KASHAMVIDA. HE HAS PERFORMED IN SEVERAL OF
7 MS. ALLEN'S MUSICALS, INCLUDING THE LEADING ROLE OF POPITO IN
8 POPITO'S STORY, WHICH WAS PERFORMED AT THE KENNEDY CENTER. IN
9 2006, CHRISTOPHER WON THE GOLD MEDAL REPRESENTING THE UNITED
10 STATES AT THE INTERNATIONAL TENS OLYMPIC FESTIVAL IN GERMANY.
11 HE IS A NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER OF AMERICAN BALLET
12 THEATRE, 2006 SUMMER PROGRAM, AND WILL AGAIN ATTEND A.B.T. IN
13 NEW YORK THIS SUMMER. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, CHRISTOPHER. [
14 APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'RE VERY PROUD OF YOU. THANK YOU. AND NOW, TARA
17 CHURCH, A NONCLASSICAL VOICE, 14 YEARS OLD, IS A FRESHMAN AT
18 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS. SHE SHARED THE
19 STAGE WITH BEEBEE WHIMAN, KAREN CLARKSHARED, DORINDA CLARK
20 COAL AND MIKA STAMPLY. TARA RELEASED HER SELF-TITLED ALBUM,
21 GOD MADE US ALL, AT AGE 10. SHE WAS VOTED BEST FEMALE VOCALIST
22 IN K.F.C. NATIONAL GOSPEL SHOWCASE AND HAS PARTICIPATED IN
23 NUMEROUS SHOWCASES, INCLUDING THE GOSPEL HERITAGE FOUNDATION
24 CONFERENCE. THIS PAST YEAR, SHE SANG AT THE GOSPEL MUSIC
25 WORKSHOP OF AMERICA AND THE NATIONAL CONVOCATION FOR THE



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1 CHURCHES OF GOD IN CHRIST. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE
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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE AND
7 CONGRATULATE THE WINNERS FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT. FIRST OF
8 ALL, WE HAVE JONATHAN PINSON IS THE JAZZ INSTRUMENTAL WINNER.
9 HE IS 17 AND A SENIOR AT ALEXANDER HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL. HE
10 STUDIES JAZZ AND PERCUSSION AT THE COLBURN SCHOOL AND IS A
11 FIRST STUDENT TO RECEIVE A MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE DRUM SET.
12 HE ALSO RECEIVED AN OMNI YOUTH AWARD. JONATHAN HAS PERFORMED A
13 POPULAR VENUE SUCH AS THE HOUSE OF BLUES AND THE FORD
14 AMPHITHEATER. HE ENJOYING MENTORING YOUNG PERCUSSION
15 ENTHUSIASTS AND HELPS CONDUCT JAZZ WORKSHOPS FOR INNER CITY
16 YOUTHS AT PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND JONATHAN HAS BEEN
17 ACCEPTED AT THE BERKELEY COLLEGE OF MUSIC. CONGRATULATIONS. [
18 APPLAUSE]

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND, DON, LET ME TELL YOU, HE CAN
21 PLAY THE DRUMS. HE LIT UP THE DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION WITH
22 THAT PERFORMANCE.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** NEXT, TIANA TUCKER IS THE 2 DIMENSIONAL DESIGN
25 WINNER. SHE IS 17 AND A SENIOR AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH



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1 SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS. TIANA SERIOUSLY BEGAN TO STUDY THE FINE
2 ARTS IN THE EIGHTH GRADE WHEN SHE TOOK A RIGOROUS DRAWING AND
3 PAINTING WORKSHOP. THOUGH MUCH OF HER CURRENT WORK IS DONE IN
4 OIL PAINTS, SHE IS BEGINNING TO USE THE MIXED MEDIA IN HER
5 WORK TO BETTER COMMUNICATE TEXTURE AND SPACE. TIANA HAS SHOWN
6 WORK IN MORE THAN NINE GROUP EXHIBITIONS AND CO-CURATED A SHOW
7 AT THE PASADENA ARMORY. WE'LL INVITE YOU OUT TO RANCHO TO
8 VISIT SOME OF OUR ARTISTS OUT THERE. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUDY METSLER HAS A CLASSICAL VOICE, SHE'S 16
13 YEARS OLD, INDEPENDENT STUDY STUDENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
14 SHE'S BEEN STUDYING VOICE PRIVATELY WITH KHIRA HUMPHREY FOR
15 THE PAST FOUR YEARS. CURRENTLY THE SOPRANO SOLOIST WITH THE
16 PASADENA PRO MUSIC ENSEMBLE AND REGULAR MEMBER OF THE LOS
17 ANGELES MASTER CHORAL. SHE'S BEEN NOMINATED TO BE A
18 PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR IN THE ARTS, AWARDED THE SILVER AWARD
19 FROM THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE ARTS.
20 SHE IS THE FIRST PLACE REGIONAL WINNER OF THE 2007 CLASSICAL
21 SINGER HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION, WHICH WAS RECENTLY HELD AT THE
22 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES AND WILL COMPETE IN THE
23 SEMIFINAL ROUND OF THE COMPETITION, WHICH WILL BE IN SAN
24 FRANCISCO THIS MONTH. SO, JULIA, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SARA JOHNSON, JAZZ INSTRUMENTAL, 17 YEARS
2 OLD, SENIOR AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS
3 WHERE SHE STUDIES BOTH CLASSICAL AND JAZZ MUSIC. LAST SUMMER,
4 SARA ATTENDED BERKELEY COLLEGE OF MUSIC, FIVE WEEK
5 PERFORMANCE, WITH A FULL TUITION SCHOLARSHIP. AS A MEMBER OF
6 JAZZ AMERICA, YOUTH BIG BAND, SHE PERFORMED AT THE SWEET 'N
7 HOT AND 1:00 JUMP JAZZ FESTIVALS. SARA IS CURRENTLY A STUDENT
8 AT THE COLBURN SCHOOL STUDYING FLUTE WITH KAREN LUNDGREN AND
9 JAZZ WITH LEE ZACHARD'S MONDAY NIGHT'S JAZZ BAND. SHE'LL BE
10 ATTENDING THE BERKELEY COLLEGE OF MUSIC THIS FALL.

11 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO ASK, IS
14 STEVE ROUNDTREE HERE?

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16 **STEVE ROUNDTREE:** YES, SIR, RIGHT BEHIND YOU.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET ME INTRODUCE STEVE
19 ROUNDTREE, LEADER OF THE-- PRESIDENT OF THE MUSIC CENTER,
20 PERFORMING ARTS, WHAT DO WE CALL IT NOW? THE PERFORMING ARTS
21 CENTER? THE MUSIC CENTER. ALL RIGHT. THE NAME CHANGES ARE FAST
22 AND FURIOUS. AND LET ME JUST AGAIN CONGRATULATE ALL THE
23 STUDENTS. THEY ARE ALL JUST INCREDIBLY TERRIFIC AND WE'RE ALL
24 VERY PROUD OF YOU AND PROUD OF YOUR SCHOOLS AND WE LOOK
25 FORWARD TO SEEING YOU SUCCEED IN THE FUTURE, IN YOUR ARTS



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1 CAREER, AS MANY OF THE FINALISTS FROM THE SPOTLIGHT AWARDS
2 SINCE 1988 HAVE SUCCEEDED IN PROFESSIONAL CAREER AND ARE NOW
3 DOING REAL WELL. WE KNOW YOU WILL DO IN WHATEVER YOU CHOOSE TO
4 DO. STEVE, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A WORD ON BEHALF OF THE MUSIC
5 CENTER?

6

7 **STEVE ROUNDTREE:** I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
8 TAKING TIME IN THIS MORNING'S SESSION TO RECOGNIZE THESE
9 WONDERFUL STUDENTS WHO HAVE DONE SO WELL IN THE ARTS. I WANT
10 TO KNOW, TOO, THAT, IN THE BACK OF YOUR PROGRAM, WHILE NOT
11 EVERY SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT HAD A WINNER THIS YEAR, YOU'LL SEE
12 HUNDREDS OF HIGH SCHOOLS FROM THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY
13 AND EVERY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WHO COMPETED IN THIS PROCESS.
14 THESE STUDENTS, THERE WERE 1,200 APPLICANTS IN THE PERFORMING
15 ARTS, 800 APPLICANTS IN THE VISUAL ARTS. THEY WENT THROUGH A
16 YEAR LONG PROCESS OF AUDITIONS AND PERFORMANCES, COMPETING
17 WITH EACH OTHER. WE PROVIDE-- THE MUSIC CENTER PROVIDES MORE
18 THAN JUST THE COMPETITION. THIS IS AN EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL
19 OPPORTUNITY FOR THESE STUDENTS. I WANT TO ALSO RECOGNIZE THE
20 PARENTS AND TEACHERS WHO ARE HERE WITH US TODAY. WE ALL KNOW
21 THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE REQUIRE TREMENDOUS SUPPORT FROM THEIR
22 FAMILIES AND THEIR TEACHERS TO MAKE THIS, SO CONGRATULATIONS
23 TO THE PARENTS AS WELL. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **STEVE ROUNDTREE:** AND LASTLY, THE MUSIC CENTER WANTS TO THANK
2 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORTING ARTS IN THE
3 COMMUNITY, ARTS IN OUR SCHOOLS. YOU'LL SEE MANY PERFORMERS
4 FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FROM THE ARTS
5 INCLUDING, I THINK, TWO OR THREE HERE TODAY. THIS IS A GREAT
6 INSTITUTION AND YOU DESERVE A LOT OF PRIDE FOR THE SUPPORT YOU
7 GIVE TO ARTS IN THE SCHOOLS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HAVING
8 US. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **STEVE ROUNDTREE:** I ALSO WANT TO THANK BANK OF AMERICA IN OUR
11 COMMUNITY. BANK OF AMERICA IS THE LEAD SPONSOR FOR SPOTLIGHT
12 AND HAS BEEN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. THEY DO GREAT WORK TO HELP
13 MAKE THIS PROGRAM POSSIBLE. SPOTLIGHT EVERY YEAR, I ENCOURAGE
14 YOU ALL TO ATTEND. IT'S A WONDERFUL PERFORMANCE. YOU CANNOT
15 BELIEVE THE TALENT OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. THANK YOU. [
16 APPLAUSE]

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOW MY PRIVILEGE TO RECOGNIZE
19 THE L.A. COUNTY STARS FOR MAY 2007 AND, IN THE CATEGORY EVER
20 ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS, I'D LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE TO
21 WELCOME KAREN ANDERSON, AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER II
22 FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HERE COMES KAREN. [APPLAUSE]

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. ANDERSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
25 THE CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING UNIT. HER MOVE TO THAT UNIT



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1 IN 2006 TRANSFORMED IT FROM BEING REACTIVE TO PROACTIVE. THE
2 UNIT MONITORS MORE THAN 120 CONTRACTS VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY
3 421 MILLION DOLLARS, AS WELL AS REVENUE GENERATING CONTRACTS
4 HAVING AN ESTIMATED OF MORE THAN \$21 MILLION ANNUALLY. MS.
5 ANDERSON HAS MADE THE CONTRACT MONITORING PROCESS MORE
6 EFFECTIVE THROUGH INTRODUCTION OF NEW MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND
7 BUSINESS PROCESSES AND HER ABILITY TO STREAMLINE THE
8 MONITORING PROCESS IS PARTICULARLY NOTEWORTHY. SHE TOOK VAGUE
9 AND CONFUSING REQUIREMENTS AND MADE THEM STRAIGHTFORWARD, ALSO
10 MADE THEM EFFICIENT AND EASILY UNDERSTANDABLE BY THE UNIT
11 ANALYSTS IN THE BUSINESS UNITS BEING SERVED. SO WE WANT TO
12 CONGRATULATE KAREN ANDERSON AS THE MAY 2007 L.A. COUNTY STAR.
13 CONGRATULATIONS, KAREN. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND, FINALLY, I'D LIKE TO ASK
16 ARDEN EBALO TO COME FORWARD. IS HE HERE? ARDEN EBALO IS
17 CURRENTLY SERVING PUBLIC WORKS IN ITS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
18 DIVISION SPECIFICALLY IN THE DIVISION'S HELP DESK. I'M SURE WE
19 CAN ALL RELATE TO THE FRUSTRATION THAT WE ALL TAKE OUT ON
20 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOLKS WHEN OUR COMPUTERS ARE ON THE
21 GLITCH AND A VARIETY OF OTHER PROBLEMS. MR. EBALO, IN HIS
22 CASE, HANDLES THE MULTITUDE OF CALLS OF FRUSTRATION WITH
23 PROFESSIONALISM, DIPLOMACY AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, HE GETS THE
24 PROBLEM RESOLVED. I ALSO FOUND THAT MR. EBALO SUPPORTS THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIVERSITY EFFORTS IN MANY WAYS. HE



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1 IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE FILIPINO-AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS
2 EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION, A MEMBER OF THE DEPARTMENT'S DRAGON BOAT
3 TEAM THAT COMPETES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND IS A MEMBER OF
4 THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE. HE IS A HARD WORKING AND
5 COMMITTED TO PROVIDING EXCELLENT SERVICE AND THERE'S NO
6 QUESTION THAT ARDEN EBALO DESERVES THE HONOR OF EMPLOYEE OF
7 THE YEAR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. AND THAT BEING
8 SAID TODAY, I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL FIVE
9 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ARDEN, THERE YOU ARE,
10 CONGRATULATIONS. YOU MAY HAVE ONE OF THE TOUGHEST JOBS AROUND,
11 IS TAKING COMPLAINT CALLS, ESPECIALLY IF YOU GET THEM FROM ME.
12 YOU'RE LUCKY I DON'T WORK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
13 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE AND WE LOOK-- YOU'RE STILL A YOUNG
14 MAN, YOU'VE GET A LONG WAY TO GO, SO CONGRATULATIONS. [
15 APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I THINK THAT-- NO OTHER
18 PRESENTATIONS, CORRECT? WHO IS FIRST UP TODAY? DON? MR. KNABE.
19 OH, WE'VE GOT PUBLIC HEARINGS FIRST. ALL RIGHT. LET'S START
20 WITH THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FIRST.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY TO THE BOARD
23 ON ITEM NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 16, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR
24 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [ADMINISTERING OATH]

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. FIRST ITEM.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 1 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE
6 IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A HEARING ON SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
7 ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 FOR THE CONSOLIDATED
8 SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE
9 DISTRICT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS
10 MATTER. THERE ARE JURISDICTIONAL QUESTIONS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. STAFF?

13

14 **JEFF BOUSE:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
15 MY NAME IS JEFF BOUSE AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE
17 PROCEEDINGS TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE
18 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE AND MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE
19 DISTRICTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008, TO APPROVE ANNUAL
20 INCREASES IN THE ADDITIONAL ANNUAL ZONE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
21 IN THE MALIBU MESA ZONE OF \$280 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 AND
22 \$70 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009; TO APPROVE TWO ONE-TIME CHARGES
23 IN THE MALIBU MESA ZONE OF \$100 IN FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 AND
24 \$275 IN FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009; TO RETAIN ALL OTHER CHARGES AT
25 THEIR EXISTING RATES FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE



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1 AND MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS AND TO CONTINUE TO
2 COLLECT THE CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008.
3 THE REPORT ON THESE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WAS PREPARED IN MY
4 OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN MY OPINION, IT IS NECESSARY
5 TO INCREASE THE ADDITIONAL ZONE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE IN THE
6 MALIBU MESA ZONE TO OFFSET RISING OPERATIONAL MAINTENANCE
7 COSTS FOR THE MALIBU MESA WATER RECLAMATION PLANT AND TO
8 IMPOSE THE TWO ONE-TIME CHARGES FOR THE MALIBU MESA ZONE TO
9 FINANCE SPECIAL PROJECTS AND STUDIES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH NEW
10 REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO THE NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE
11 ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT FOR THE TREATMENT FACILITY. IN MY
12 OPINION, IT IS NECESSARY TO RETAIN ALL OF THE OTHER SEWER
13 SERVICE CHARGES AT THEIR EXISTING RATES. IN MY OPINION, THE
14 PROPOSED INCREASE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES AND OTHER EXISTING
15 CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. IN MY OPINION, IT IS THE--
16 IN THE PUBLIC'S BEST INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT ALL OF
17 THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT PROVIDES
18 FOR THE MOST ORDERLY AND COST EFFECTIVE COLLECTION OF CHARGES
19 FROM THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WE HAVE ONE
22 PERSON WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD ON THIS. NANCY VERNON MARINO.
23 GOOD MORNING.



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1 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I JUST WANTED
2 TO ASK ABOUT THE DISPARATE CHARGES COUNTYWIDE FOR THESE
3 SERVICES. THE RATES RANGE FROM \$10 PER UNIT TO \$2,783 PER
4 SEWAGE UNIT. THAT SEEMS TO ME A BIT EXTREME AND I DON'T WHY
5 THAT IS AND THE FACT THAT THERE IS NO ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
6 NECESSARY FOR THIS WHEN SEWER RATE CHANGES WILL, IN ALL
7 LIKELIHOOD, HAVE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT BECAUSE OF THE
8 CHANGES IN WATER USE. PEOPLE WHO TRY TO AVOID PAYING
9 EXORBITANT CHARGES MAY RESORT TO OTHER THINGS. HOW IS THAT
10 ADDRESSED? WHAT SORTS OF ADDITIONAL CAPACITIES ARE
11 CONTEMPLATED IN THIS RATE STRUCTURE TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASED
12 CAPACITY NEEDS? THIS BOARD HAS REMARKED ON THE NUMBER OF
13 SEWAGE SPILLS FROM THE HYPERION PLANT OVER THE LAST COUPLE
14 YEARS AND HAVE EXPRESSED DEEP CONCERN THAT THOSE OVERFLOWS
15 FLOW DIRECTLY ONTO OUR BEACHES AND INTO OUR HARBORS. SO IT'S
16 SIMPLY A RATE CHANGE WITHOUT ANY ANALYSIS OF THOSE IMPACTS, I
17 BELIEVE, IS NOT A GOOD IDEA. I WOULD ASK THAT THERE BE AN
18 E.I.R. ON THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. IF YOU COULD JUST
21 ADDRESS THE DISPARITY ISSUE?

22

23 **JEFFERY BOUSE:** WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THE RATE INCREASES PROPOSED
24 HERE TODAY IS SPECIFIC TO A ZONE THAT IS SERVED BY THE MALIBU
25 MESA WATER RECLAMATION PLANT IN MALIBU. IT SERVES 988 SEWAGE



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1 UNITS. THE HIGH COST THAT'S ASSOCIATED WITH THIS SPECIFIC ZONE
2 IS THE FACILITY IS-- SERVES ONLY A VERY SMALL NUMBER OF PEOPLE
3 AND THE COST OF OPERATING THIS HIGH TECHNOLOGY FACILITY IS
4 EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE. I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTOOD THE \$10
5 DISPARITY-- THAT CHARGE THAT YOU WERE REFERRING TO THERE. THE
6 STANDARD CHARGE FOR OUR CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE
7 DISTRICT, WHICH BASICALLY MAINTAINS ALL OF THE COLLECTION
8 SYSTEMS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREA AND VARIOUS CITIES
9 THAT CONTRACT WITH US, IS A TWO-PART CHARGE. THERE'S A \$23 PER
10 SEWAGE UNIT FOR THE BASIC OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE
11 COLLECTION SYSTEM. IT DOESN'T INVOLVE THE OPERATION AND
12 MAINTENANCE OF ANY TREATMENT FACILITIES. THERE'S AN-- IN
13 ADDITION TO THAT, THERE'S AN \$8 CHARGE FOR A CAPITAL
14 IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. BUT THOSE CHARGES ARE DIRECTLY RELATED
15 TO THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AND CONTINUED OPERATION OF
16 EXISTING FACILITIES. THEY DON'T SPECIFICALLY INVOLVE THE
17 EXPANSION OF CAPACITY TO SERVE NEW AREAS.

18
19 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** MAY I ASK A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION?
20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I DON'T WANT TO DO THAT
22 BECAUSE THAT'S NOT PART OF OUR RULES BUT I'D BE HAPPY IF YOU
23 WANTED TO TALK TO OUR STAFF ON THE SIDE, HE'LL ANSWER ALL THE
24 QUESTIONS YOU WANT. SO I DO WANT TO ADDRESS THE OTHER QUESTION



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1 YOU RAISED, WHICH IS THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT QUESTION
2 RELATED TO A FAIR-- A RATE INCREASE.

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4 **RICHARD WEISS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, C.E.Q.A.
5 SPECIFICALLY PROVIDES THAT ACTIONS RELATING TO SETTING OF
6 RATES AND INCREASING OF RATES FOR MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING
7 FACILITIES SUCH AS THIS WITHIN EXISTING SERVICES AREAS ARE
8 CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT UNDER C.E.Q.A.. SO THAT ENVIRONMENTAL
9 DETERMINATION IS PART OF THE BOARD LETTER.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY FURTHER--
12 IS THERE ANYBODY ELSE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD? I
13 DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER CARDS. IF NOT, PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.
14 MR. KNABE, YOU WANTED TO BE-- NOTHING? OKAY. IS THERE A
15 MOTION? MR. KNABE MOVES. MS. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
16 UNANIMOUS VOTE. AND IF YOU COULD STEP WITH HER ASIDE, MAYBE
17 EXPLAIN TO HER EXACTLY WHAT THE RATE STRUCTURE IS?

18

19 **JEFFERY BOUSE:** ABSOLUTELY.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS.

22

23 **JEFFERY BOUSE:** THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM NUMBER 2.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 2 WAS CONTINUED ONE WEEK SO
3 WE'LL GO ON TO ITEM NUMBER 3. THIS IS A HEARING ON ANNEXATION
4 OF 19 PARCELS TO THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT
5 WITHIN UNINCORPORATED TERRITORIES AND THE CITIES OF PALMDALE
6 AND SANTA CLARITA AND THE LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR
7 THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SEWER FACILITIES FOR FISCAL
8 YEAR 2008/2009. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON
9 THIS MATTER.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE
12 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT-- WE HAVE A STAFF
13 REPORT, I'M SORRY. STAFF PRESENTATION. IDENTIFY YOURSELF,
14 PLEASE, FOR THE RECORD.

15

16 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU AND I'M A SENIOR
17 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
18 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO
19 RECONSOLIDATE THE SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT OF AND LEVY OF
20 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES TO THE 19 PARCELS IDENTIFIED IN THE
21 BOARD LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY
22 AND CITIES OF PALMDALE AND SANTA CLARITA. THE INVOLVED CITIES
23 HAVE GRANTED THEIR CONSENT AND JURISDICTION. IN MY OPINION,
24 ALL THE 19 PARCELS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION TO THE



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1 DISTRICT AND BY THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED. IN MY OPINION, THE
2 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE
5 AUDIENCE WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, THE
6 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. MR.
7 ANTONOVICH MOVES. MS. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 4?

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 4. THIS IS THE HEARING ON
11 ANNEXATION OF APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO
12 COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
13 DISTRICT LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE, BASSET, VAL VERDE, ROLAND
14 HEIGHTS, ACTON AND CHATSWORTH AREAS AND THE LEVYING OF
15 ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR STREET LIGHTING
16 PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. THERE-- NO WRITTEN
17 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER. AND, MR.
18 CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE-- OH,
19 EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY. THERE IS A STAFF PRESENTATION.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE IS A STAFF PRESENTATION.
22 PLEASE.

23

24 **RANDINE RUIZ:** MY NAME IS RANDINE RUIZ, AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL
25 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH



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1 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
2 DISTRICT 1687 AND LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND THE LEVYING
3 AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FIVE INCORPORATED
4 TERRITORY TENTATIVE SUBDIVISIONS REFERENCED IN THE BOARD
5 LETTER. IN MY OPINION, THE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISIONS WILL BE
6 BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND
7 THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO
8 BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE
9 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE NON-
10 EXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

11
12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SACHI?

13
14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT
15 THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF
16 BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR
17 TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

18
19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S FIRST FIND OUT IF THERE'S
20 ANYBODY WANTS TO BE HEARD AT THE HEARING. IS THERE ANYBODY IN
21 THE AUDIENCE WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, I SO
22 MOVE THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT WE DIRECT THE
23 TABULATION OF THE BALLOTS TAKE PLACE AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL
24 LATER IN THE MEETING SO WE CAN GET THE RESULTS OF THE



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1 TABULATION. SO THIS WILL BE LAID ON THE DESK. PUBLIC HEARING
2 IS CLOSED.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE NEED A SECOND.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH WILL SECOND. AND
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. THAT'S ON AGENDA
8 ITEM NUMBER 4.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 5?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 5 THIS IS THE HEARING ON ANNEXATION
15 OF TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687
16 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE,
17 CHARTER OAKS, VALINDA AZUSA AND ROWLAND HEIGHTS AREA FORMATION
18 OF IMPROVEMENT ZONES 542 AND 544 AND THE LEVYING OF ANNUAL
19 ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR STREET LIGHTING
20 PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
21 WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

22

23 **RANDINE RUIZ:** MY NAME IS RANDINE RUIZ AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL
24 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH
25 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY AND LEVY OF



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1 ASSESSMENTS FOR LIGHTING DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
2 DISTRICT LLA-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE FOR THE FOUR PETITION AREAS
3 DESCRIBED IN THE BOARD LETTER AND THE FORMATION OF IMPROVEMENT
4 ZONES 542 AND 544 IN CONNECTION WITH PETITIONS 148-1205 AND
5 54-306 RESPECTIVELY. IN MY OPINION, THE PETITIONERS WILL BE
6 BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED
7 AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO
8 BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVE THE
9 EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES BY NONEXEMPT TAXING
10 AGENCIES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE
13 AUDIENCE WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE...

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT
16 THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF THE
17 BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR
18 TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH SO
21 MOVES. I'LL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.
22 LAY IT ON THE TABLE.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM THEM 6, THIS IS THE HEARING ON LEVYING
25 OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS IN COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR



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1 STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. NO WRITTEN
2 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A STAFF PRESENTATION?

5

6 **RANDINE RUIZ:** MY NAME IS RANDINE RUIZ AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL
7 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH
8 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF THE ANNUAL
9 STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS WITHIN COUNTY LLA-1 FOR ALL ZONES
10 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 AT THE SAME RATES AS ARE BEING
11 LEVIED THIS CURRENT YEAR. IN MY OPINION, ALL THE TERRITORY
12 WITHIN LLA-1 WILL CONTINUE TO BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES
13 PROVIDED AND THE ASSESSMENTS CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD IN
14 PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS PROVIDED TO THE INVOLVED
15 PROPERTIES. IN MY OPINION, IT IS JUST AND EQUITABLE AND IN THE
16 PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR INSTALLATION AND
17 MAINTENANCE OF ADDITIONAL LIGHTS BE MADE A CHARGE UPON THE
18 EXISTING DISTRICTS AS A WHOLE IN FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. WE ARE
19 AWARE OF NO PROTESTS.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE
22 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC HEARING
23 IS CLOSED. IT IS APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO HAVE A MOTION TO
24 APPROVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION. MR. ANTONOVICH MOVES. MS.
25 BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 7?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 7. THIS IS A HEARING ON LEVYING
3 OF FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008.
4 THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PESTRELLA?

7

8 **MARK PESTRELLA:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY AND MEMBERS
9 OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS MARK PESTRELLA. I AM ASSISTANT DEPUTY
10 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH
11 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY OF ANNUAL FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT
12 ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. THE REPORT ON THE
13 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS WAS PREPARED BY MY OFFICE AND UNDER MY
14 DIRECTION. NO INCREASE IN BENEFIT ASSESSMENT RATES IS PROPOSED
15 FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT
16 THE ASSESSMENTS BE UTILIZED TO PARTIALLY FUND THE OPERATION,
17 MAINTENANCE, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
18 OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE
19 ILLUMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT. THE ASSESSMENT REMAINS NECESSARY
20 AS THE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO THE FLOOD CONTROL
21 DISTRICT ARE NOT ADEQUATE TO COVER THE ANNUAL COST OF PROGRAMS
22 DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT
23 CONTINUES TO BE BASED UPON THE PROPORTIONATE STORM WATER
24 RUNOFF FROM AFFECTED PARCELS AS IS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY
25 STATE LAW, GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54715. IN MY OPINION, THE



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1 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO
2 BENEFIT. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO PHONE CALLS OR WRITTEN PROTESTS
3 TO THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT. THEREFORE, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT
4 YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE
7 PUBLIC WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC
8 HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. MR. KNABE
9 MOVES. MS. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 8, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
12 PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH'S PUBLISHED CHARGES FOR
13 FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED
14 ON THIS MATTER.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A STAFF PRESENTATION? IF
17 NOT, IS THERE ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT WANTS TO BE HEARD
18 ON THIS ITEM? ITEM NUMBER 8? IF NOT, PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.
19 WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. MR. ANTONOVICH MOVES. MS. BURKE
20 SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 9?

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 9. THIS IS THE HEARING ON
23 APPROVAL OF UPDATED RATES FOR SERVICES RENDERED AT THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES OPERATED HEALTH FACILITIES AND
25 TO ESTABLISH TWO NEW SURGERY RATE LEVELS AT OLIVE



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1 VIEW/U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS
2 PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE
5 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 9? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC
6 HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. MR. ANTONOVICH
7 MOVES. I'LL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM
8 10.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 10. THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
11 MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEM PROPOSED WATER RATE RESTRUCTURING.
12 NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO WANTS TO BE
15 HEARD. NANCY VERNON MARINO AGAIN. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** THANK YOU. WELL, I GUESS I WON'T ASK FOR
18 AN E.I.R. BECAUSE COUNTY COUNSEL ALREADY ADDRESSED THAT
19 BEFORE, ALTHOUGH I DO THINK THERE DOES NEED TO BE ONE ON THIS
20 BECAUSE WHAT THIS SEEKS TO DO IS TO MAKE THE RATE A VARIABLE
21 RATE THAT IS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY. AND I THINK, WITH MUCH OF THE
22 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN THE MARINA, THERE IS GOING TO BE SOME
23 STICKER SHOCK WITH WATER BILLS WHEN THIS DOES ACTUALLY BECOME
24 EFFECTIVE AND I THINK THE RESULT WILL BE LESS WATERING OF
25 PLANTS, MORE DUST, MORE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF A PHYSICAL



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1 NATURE AS WELL AS AN ECONOMICAL NATURE. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK
2 MOSTLY ON THE LACK OF PUBLIC NOTICE FOR ITEMS, PROJECTS OF
3 THIS NATURE IN MARINA DEL REY. THERE IS ONLY ONE LAND OWNER IN
4 MARINA DEL REY, AS YOU KNOW, AND THAT IS THE COUNTY. HOWEVER,
5 LESSEES DO GET NOTICE ON SOME OF THESE THINGS. RESIDENTS DO
6 NOT. PROPERTY OWNERS OF A PERSONAL PROPERTY NATURE DO NOT.
7 BOAT OWNERS, PEOPLE WHO PAY THESE RATES IN THE FORM OF
8 ADDITIONAL RENTS, WERE NOT GIVEN ANY NOTICE ON THIS ISSUE. THE
9 FIRST I KNEW OF IT WAS RIGHT HERE IN YOUR AGENDA THAT WAS
10 POSTED ONLINE LAST WEEK. NO ONE I KNOW WHO PAYS PERSONAL
11 PROPERTY TAXES TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHO LIVES IN
12 MARINA DEL REY RECEIVED NOTICE ON THIS ITEM. SO I OBJECT TO
13 THE LACK OF PUBLIC NOTICE ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT THE PUBLIC WORKS
18 FOLKS, I MEAN THEY CAN TESTIFY TO IT, THERE WERE TWO SEPARATE
19 NOTICES TO ALL THE MARINA CUSTOMERS NOTIFYING THEM OF ALL THE
20 RESTRUCTURING AND THE INCREASE. AND THE ISSUE I RAISE, THE
21 CONCERN IS ONE THAT SHE RAISED IS THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE
22 SOME STICKER SHOCKS BUT THE PROBLEM'S BEEN-- AND THAT'S WHY WE
23 NEED TO LOOK AT THIS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS SOMETIMES, THERE'S NOT
24 BEEN AN INCREASE FOR SIX YEARS. AND SO, IN ORDER TO DO SOME
25 MAINTENANCE AND EXTRAORDINARY COSTS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE



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1 WATER SYSTEM MAINTAINS ITSELF, THE BACKBONE PIPELINES AND
2 OTHERS, WE NEED TO PROCEED WITH THIS BUT SHE BRINGS UP A GREAT
3 POINT. IT'S A POINT THAT I CONTINUE TO RAISE IS THAT WE NEED
4 TO EVALUATE THIS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS INSTEAD OF WAITING SIX
5 YEARS AND ALL OF A SUDDEN HAVING A STICKER SHOCK KIND OF A
6 SITUATION. BUT THE NOTICES, I'VE BEEN TOLD, THERE WERE TWO
7 NOTICES SENT TO ALL CUSTOMERS.

8

9 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** YOU MISUNDERSTOOD SOMETHING I SAID. CAN I
10 CLARIFY THAT, PLEASE? MAY I?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** I DIDN'T MISUNDERSTANDING ANYTHING YOU SAID.

13

14 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** NO, WHAT I SAID IS IT'S GOING TO CHANGE--
15 IT'S GOING TO MAKE THE RATE A VARIABLE. NOT THE CHARGE A
16 VARIABLE. BUT THE RATE OF CHARGE A VARIABLE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** MOST WATER SYSTEMS ARE LIKE THAT. LIKE THE SYSTEM
19 THAT I'M UNDER, I GET BILLED ON USAGE. THIS IS SPLITTING THE
20 CURRENT QUANTITY CHARGE INTO A SERVICE CHARGE TO COVER FIXED
21 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS AND INTO A QUANTITY CHARGE TO
22 PRIMARILY COVER PURCHASED WATER COSTS. SO SPLITTING THE COSTS.
23 SO THE ONE IS FIXED. ONE WOULD BE VARIABLE BUT IT WOULD BE
24 BASED ON USAGE.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO YOU WANT TO MOVE IT?

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED THE ITEM, SECONDED BY MS.

6 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD JUST ASK PUBLIC WORKS. SHE BROUGHT UP GOOD

9 POINT ABOUT THIS. WE NEED TO EVALUATE THIS SO WE DON'T HAVE

10 THESE HUGE INCREASES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 11. THIS IS THE HEARING ON

15 PROPOSED CIVIL SERVICE RULES PERTAINING TO CHANGES IN THE

16 MANAGEMENT, APPRAISAL AND PERFORMANCE PLAN. NO WRITTEN

17 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. THIS IS ITEM NUMBER 11.

20 IS THERE ANYONE IN THE PUBLIC WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS

21 ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I JUST ASK A QUESTION ON THIS?

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. MR. KNABE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** DOES THIS REFLECT-- IS ANY PART OF THIS PART OF
3 THE C.E.O. THING WE'RE DISCUSSING TODAY? CAN SOMEONE ANSWER
4 THAT?

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS MR. JANSSEN HERE?

7

8 **SHARON HARPER:** SUPERVISORS, IT'S NOT PART OF THE GOVERNANCE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THERE'S SOME MAP POSITIONS IN THAT
11 GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE.

12

13 **SHARON HARPER:** YES. BUT WE'RE JUST MAKING TECHNICAL CHANGES
14 AND ANYTHING REGARDING THE GOVERNANCE ISSUE IS IN A SEPARATE
15 BOARD LETTER.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? IF
20 NOT, ITEM NUMBER 11 IS BEFORE US. MS. MOLINA MOVES, MR. KNABE
21 SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. 12.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 12. THIS IS THE HEARING ON A
24 PROPOSAL AND DETERMINATION TO PREPARE AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL
25 WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND A GROUND



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1 WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. NO WRITTEN
2 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE PUBLIC WHO
5 WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 12? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC
6 HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. MR. ANTONOVICH
7 MOVES. MS. MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 13. THIS IS THE HEARING ON
10 ACQUISITION BY DONATION, UNIMPROVED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN
11 UNINCORPORATED MARSHALL CANYON AREA FROM TRUST FOR PUBLIC
12 LAND. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE PUBLIC, IN
15 THE AUDIENCE WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS MATTER? IF NOT, THE
16 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. ARE WE PURCHASING THIS?

17

18 **RICHARD WEISS:** WE ARE ACQUIRING IT FROM THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC
19 LAND. IT IS A DONATION SO NO NET COST TO THE COUNTY.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH MOVES, MS. BURKE
22 SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 14. THIS IS A HEARING ON
25 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY CODE TITLE 12, ENVIRONMENTAL



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1 PROTECTION TO ADJUST ANNUAL FEES AND COST RECOVERY HOURLY
2 RATES FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATOR, TIERED PERMITTING,
3 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS HANDLER AND CALIFORNIA ACCIDENTAL RELEASE
4 PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008. NO WRITTEN
5 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE
8 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 14? SEEING NONE, THE
9 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 14 BEFORE US.
10 ANY DISCUSSION? IF NOT, MS. BURKE MOVES. MS. MOLINA SECONDS.
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 16?

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 16. THIS IS THE COMBINED HEARING ON
14 ZONE CHANGE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IN ADMINISTRATIVE HOUSING
15 PERMIT CASES AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION TO AUTHORIZE
16 THE CONSTRUCTION OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF 70 AFFORDABLE,
17 VERY LOW INCOME MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL UNITS IN A TWO AND
18 THREE STORY STRUCTURE, INCLUDING A CHILDCARE FACILITY AND A
19 HEALTH CLINIC AND TO AUTHORIZE THE REDUCTION IN THE REQUIRED
20 NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES TO 120 TO AUTHORIZE THE PARKING
21 SPACES TO BE UNCOVERED AND/OR TANDEM SPACES WITH TOTAL OF 50
22 PARKING SPACES LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF COMPTON ON PROPERTY
23 LOCATED AT 15711 SOUTH ATLANTIC AVENUE, EAST COMPTON ZONE
24 DISTRICT PETITIONED BY LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY DESIGN CENTER.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

2

3 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO ASK SOMEONE WOULD COME FORWARD?

4 SOMEONE HERE REPRESENTING HIM WHO WILL MAKE THIS STATEMENT IN
5 BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC WORKS?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YES. IN THE LAST COUPLE DAYS, WE HAD A REQUEST FROM
8 THE APPLICANT TO HAVE THE BOARD RECONSIDER ONE OF THEIR
9 CONDITIONS THAT INVOLVES UNDERGROUNDING THE EXISTING UTILITIES
10 THAT FRONT ON THREE SIDES OF THEIR PROPERTY AND THAT WAS A
11 CONDITION APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. WE'VE TAKEN A
12 LOOK AT IT AND, IF THE BOARD WANTED TO CONSIDER ELIMINATING
13 THAT CONDITION, PUBLIC WORKS WOULDN'T HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION TO IT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OTHER
18 DISCUSSION? I KNOW THERE ARE THREE PEOPLE WHO SIGNED UP BUT
19 THEY'RE ALL IN FAVOR OF IT AND THEY ASKED ONLY IF WE NEED TO
20 HEAR FROM THEM WOULD THEY WANT TO SPEAK, SO I DON'T THINK WE
21 NEED TO HEAR FROM THEM. IS THERE ANYBODY WHO WANTS TO SPEAK
22 AGAINST THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.
23 MS. BURKE MOVES. MS. MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
24 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT'S ALSO, THOUGH, THAT THERE BE A THE
2 WAIVER OF THE REQUIREMENT OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT PART OF THE PACKAGE?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, THAT WOULD BE UNDERGROUNDING THE EXISTING
7 UTILITIES. THE APPLICANT HAS AGREED THAT THE NEW STREETLIGHTS
8 THAT THEY NEED TO INSTALL WOULD HAVE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES AS
9 WELL AS THE UTILITIES SERVING THE NEW BUILDINGS WOULD BE
10 UNDERGROUNDED. SO IT'S JUST UNDERGROUNDING THE EXISTING
11 UTILITIES THAT ARE ON WOOD POLES.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHAT WOULD BE WAIVED IS THE
14 EXISTING. IS THAT CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD BY PEOPLE WHO WERE GOING
15 TO WRITE THIS UP? WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'S INCORPORATED INTO
16 THE ACTION. MS. BURKE MOVES. MS. MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 17?

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, SO LET ME START WITH MR.
22 KNABE. YOU'RE UP FIRST.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. BEFORE I PULL UP SOME OF
25 MY ITEMS, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS TODAY



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1 UNFORTUNATELY. FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
2 OF JOSHUA WHITAKER. JOSHUA IS A 23-YEAR OLD FORMER HIGH SCHOOL
3 STUDENT FROM LONG BEACH WHO WAS KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN. HE
4 ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN 2003 AS A SPECIAL FORCES
5 CANDIDATE AND COMPLETED THE SPECIAL FORCES QUALIFICATION
6 COURSE IN AUGUST OF 2006 EARNING A GREEN BERET. HE WAS
7 ASSIGNED TO THE FIRST BATTALION SEVENTH SPECIAL FORCES GROUP
8 FROM FORT BRAG, NORTH CAROLINA. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER,
9 AN UNCLE. HE IS THE NEPHEW OF ROB WHITAKER OF WHICH MANY OF US
10 KNOW AS WELL, TOO. SO THOUGHTS ARE WITH ROB AND HIS MOM AND
11 OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
12 LEW INGLESON, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE IS SORELY MISSED BY
13 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DONNA. LEW
14 WAS A LONG-TIME SAILING BUDDY OF MINE AND IT JUST CAME UPON
15 HIM VERY SUDDENLY AND HE PASSED AWAY HERE THE LAST COUPLE OF
16 DAYS. ALSO WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF WALTON MICHAEL
17 O'SULLIVAN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 41. HE WAS A
18 DEDICATED DEPUTY, LOVING FATHER AND HUSBAND. HE WAS PART OF
19 THE UNITED STATES MARINES, SERVED EIGHT YEARS IN THE CORPS.
20 DEPLOYED TO THE GULF WAR, WAS A MEMBER OF THE MARINE CORPS
21 PISTOL TEAM. HE JOINED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN MAY OF
22 1994. HE HAD WORKED AT WAYSIDE CENTRAL JAIL, NORWALK STATION
23 AND TWIN TOWERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, KIM AND TWO
24 CHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF U.S. ARMY
25 SPECIALIST ASTOR A. SUNSIN- PINEDA WHO WAS KILLED IN THE LINE



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1 OF DUTY IN IRAQ ON MAY 2ND AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 20. HE WAS A
2 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH. HE MOVED WITH HIS FAMILY HERE FROM
3 HONDURAS WHEN HE WAS SEVEN, WAS A GRADUATE OF WILSON HIGH
4 SCHOOL IN 2005. ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY STATIONED
5 WITH THE SPECIAL TROOPS BATTALION FOURTH INFANTRY BRIGADE
6 COMBAT TEAM AND FIRST INFANTRY DIVISION FROM FORT RILEY,
7 KANSAS. HE IS SURVIVED BY PARENTS, THREE BROTHERS AND
8 GRANDPARENTS. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CASE SCHOLTEN, WHO
9 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD AND A
10 LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH IN ARTESIA.
11 LONG-TIME FRIEND OF OUR FAMILY. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, SUE AND
12 DAUGHTER, DIANA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HIS
13 HIGHNESS MALIETOA TUNAMAFILI II, HEAD OF STATE OF SAMOA.
14 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE PLAYED RUGBY AND CRICKET IN HIS YOUTH
15 AND WAS A GREAT BOXER, KEEN GOLFER. HIS HIGHNESS WAS ONE OF
16 THE PROMISED SAMOAN LEADERS LEADING UP TO INDEPENDENCE DAY IN
17 1962. HE HAS BEEN WIDELY TRAVELED OVERSEAS ON OFFICIAL VISITS
18 TO REPRESENT SAMOA AND HIS PEOPLE. I REMEMBER HOSTING HIM HERE
19 IN THE 1984 OLYMPICS. SURVIVED BY HIS TWO SONS AND TO
20 DAUGHTERS. HE SHALL BE MISSED BY THE ENTIRE COUNTRY OF SAMOA.
21 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. DON, IF YOU'LL
24 WAIT ONE SECOND. I HAVE THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION HERE.
25 SACHI?



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CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ITEM NUMBER 4. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES IN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE BASSET, VAL VERDE, ROLLING HEIGHTS AND CHATSWORTH AREAS. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO EXPAND AND LEVY ASSESSMENTS.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: SO MOVED BY MR. ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY MR. KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS VOTE. NUMBER 5?

15

CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AND, ON ITEM NUMBER 5, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION FOR IMPROVEMENT ZONES AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR TERRITORIES IN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE, CHARTER OAK, VALINDA, AZUSA AND ROLAND HEIGHTS AREA. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO EXPAND? AND LEVY ASSESSMENTS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. ANTONOVICH WILL SO MOVE.
2 MR. KNABE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. MR.
3 KNABE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, ITEM 17. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HELD THAT ONE.
6 THAT WAS MY RECOMMENDATION ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF S.B.-
7 575, THE CALDERON BILL. A LITTLE HISTORY ON THIS PARTICULAR
8 PIECE OF PROPERTY. AT ONE POINT, THE STATE OBVIOUSLY CLOSED
9 THE FACILITY AND PUT IT UP FOR SALE TO THE CITY OF WHITTIER.
10 THE CITY OF WHITTIER WAS UNABLE TO PURCHASE AT THE TIME BUT
11 ANOTHER DEVELOPER DID. IN THE MEANTIME, THE PROPERTY CAME BACK
12 AS PART OF A STATE REVIEW OF ALL THEIR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES
13 NOT TO REOPEN AS A PROBATION OR C.Y.A. FACILITY BUT A POSSIBLE
14 TRAINING CENTER. IT HAS SINCE BEEN DETERMINED THAT THERE IS
15 NOT A NEED. THEY SELECTED ANOTHER SITE FOR THE C.Y.A. TRAINING
16 CENTER, CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' TRAINING CENTER. AND NOW THIS
17 PARTICULAR BILL WOULD, ONCE AGAIN, GIVE THE CITY OF WHITTIER
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY FROM THE STATE OF
19 CALIFORNIA SO I'M ASKING FOR A YES VOTE ON THIS PARTICULAR
20 BILL.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAD HELD THE ITEM ON THE SUBJECT BECAUSE
25 I'D LIKE TO HAVE AN UPDATE FROM YOU RELATIVE TO THE



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1 DISCUSSIONS WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ON THE JUVENILE
2 JUSTICE ISSUE BECAUSE I KNOW THERE IS STATE LEGISLATION TO
3 CLOSE THE C.Y.A. AND HAVE THE COUNTY PICK UP THOSE COUNTY
4 RESIDENTS IN C.Y.A. SO THE QUESTION IS WHAT IS THE STATUS OF
5 THAT PROPOSAL AT THE STATE?

6

7 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** YES, SIR. THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS COOKING UP
8 THERE IN SACRAMENTO RIGHT NOW IN THE WHOLE ISSUE OF
9 CORRECTIONS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE. AND THE LEGISLATURE HAS
10 MOVED ON THE ADULT SIDE AND THAT APPEARS TO BE RESOLVED AT
11 THIS POINT IN TERMS OF FUNDING FOR SOME ADULT ISSUES. BUT WHAT
12 THEY HAVE DONE IS THEY'VE DELAYED DISCUSSIONS ON D.J.J. AND,
13 AT THIS POINT, THE DISCUSSIONS ARE VERY FLUID AND THEY INVOLVE
14 THE LEADERSHIP OF THE ASSEMBLY AND THE SENATE AND MEMBERS OF
15 THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE. IF YOU RECALL A FEW MONTHS AGO, I WAS
16 BEFORE THIS BODY AND I TOLD YOU AT THAT TIME THAT THE OFFER,
17 THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL, THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL, WAS TO-- FOR
18 THE STATE NOT TO ACCEPT ANY CATEGORY 1 THROUGH 4S AT SOME
19 POINT IN THE FUTURE, JULY OR JANUARY, THE DATE HADN'T BEEN
20 SET. THEY ALSO WERE NOT GOING TO ACCEPT ANY MINORS WHO HAD ANY
21 MEDICAL ISSUES OR ANY MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. THEY WERE NOT
22 GOING TO ACCEPT ANY FEMALES. AND THEY WERE GOING TO OFFER THE
23 COUNTY \$94,000 IN REMUNERATION TO NOT ACCEPT THOSE CATEGORY 1
24 THROUGH 4 MINORS. THERE WERE DISCUSSIONS HELD WITH THE CHIEF
25 PROBATION OFFICERS AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND OTHER FOLKS



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1 AND, AS A RESULT OF THOSE DISCUSSIONS, WHAT'S ON THE TABLE AT
2 THIS POINT IS THAT THE COUNTY'S-- THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS
3 HAVE PROPOSED RATHER THAN USING THE CATEGORIES THAT THE STATE
4 HAS, 1 THROUGH 8, AND THIS CATEGORY 1 THROUGH 4 IN PARTICULAR,
5 SINCE IT IS THEIR CATEGORIES, THAT WE INSTEAD ABIDE BY THE
6 WELFARE AND INSTITUTION'S CODE AND USE 707(A) AND 707(B). SO
7 THE PROPOSED THAT WE NOT SEND ANY 707(A) MINORS TO THE STATE.
8 THAT WE WILL ONLY BE SENDING 707(B) MINORS. 707(B) MINORS ARE
9 THOSE THAT ARE IN VERY SERIOUS CATEGORIES. THOSE INCLUDE
10 MURDER, ATTEMPTED MURDER, KIDNAP, RAPE, ROBBERY. THERE'S
11 ABOUT-- THERE'S MORE THAN 20 OFFENSES THAT ARE LISTED WITHIN
12 THE 707(B) OF THE WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE AND I'D LIKE
13 TO SHARE WITH YOU THAT WE HAVE A NUMBER OF THOSE MINORS IN OUR
14 CAMPS NOW. WE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS BETTER TO DEFINE IT
15 SPECIFICALLY USING THE CODE RATHER THAN PUT IT IN A STATE
16 AGENCY WHERE THEY MIGHT CHANGE OR MANIPULATE THE CATEGORIES.
17 SO THE DISCUSSIONS AT THIS POINT-- AND, BY THE WAY, WE ALSO
18 TOLD THE STATE THAT, IF A MINOR IS A 707(A) AND HAS HEALTH OR
19 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, THEN, FINE, WE WILL ACCEPT THEM BECAUSE
20 WE'RE DOING THAT NOW, TO A GREAT EXTENT, BUT IF THE MINOR IS A
21 707(B) AND HAS HEALTH OR MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, THAT'S YOUR
22 RESPONSIBILITY AS A STATE TO TAKE CARE OF. SO THERE APPEARS TO
23 BE SOME AGREEMENT ON THOSE BASIC ISSUES. THE DISCUSSIONS RIGHT
24 NOW CENTER ON THE FEE, THE ANNUAL AMOUNT THAT WOULD BE PAID BY
25 THE STATE TO THE COUNTIES AND THEY'RE KIND OF STICKING WITH



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1 THE \$94,000 PER MINOR. WE HAVE ON THE TABLE A PROPOSAL OF
2 \$130,000 PER MINOR. THE STATE ESTIMATES THAT IT COSTS THEM
3 SOMEWHERE BETWEEN \$160,000 AND \$220,000 PER MINOR SO WE DON'T
4 THINK THAT THE \$94,000 IS A FAIR AMOUNT. THE OTHER THING THAT
5 IS BEING DISCUSSED ARE THE CONSTRUCTION NEEDS OF COUNTIES
6 BASED UPON THIS CHANGE IN D.J.J. SO THE STATE IS PROPOSING
7 \$400 MILLION IN CONSTRUCTION FUNDS BY THE WAY OF BLOCK GRANTS
8 TO THE COUNTIES AND SO THAT ITEM IS STILL BEING DISCUSSED. THE
9 PROPOSAL, AT LEAST THE IDEA AT THIS POINT IS TO TRY AND COME
10 TO SOME AGREEMENT BY JULY 1ST, WHICH MEANS THAT A DECISION IS
11 GOING TO HAVE TO BE MADE VERY SOON IN SACRAMENTO. AT THIS
12 POINT, IT LOOKS LIKE THIS MATTER IS HEADED TO A BUDGET
13 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AND THAT THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WILL
14 WORK OUT THE SPECIFIC DETAILS ON THE FUNDING AMOUNTS AND THE
15 BUDGET AMOUNTS FOR THIS PROPOSAL. WHAT THIS WILL DO IN THE
16 LONG RUN IS IT WILL REDUCE D.J.J.'S POPULATION FROM ROUGHLY
17 2,700 TODAY TO ABOUT 1,300. IF WE LOOK BACK 10 YEARS AGO, 10
18 YEARS AGO, THERE WERE 10,000 MINORS LOCKED UP IN CALIFORNIA
19 YOUTH AUTHORITY FACILITIES. AND, AS YOU KNOW, RELATED TO THIS
20 ONE PARTICULAR ITEM ON THE AGENDA, A NUMBER OF THOSE
21 FACILITIES HAVE CLOSED AND IT'S ANTICIPATED THAT MORE
22 FACILITIES WILL ALSO BE CLOSED. SO WHAT THIS MEANS IS THAT
23 MORE MINORS ARE GOING TO BE TREATED LOCALLY, WHICH ISN'T A BAD
24 THING BECAUSE IT PROVIDES US WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAINTAIN A
25 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A MINOR AND A MINOR'S FAMILY. THE OTHER



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1 THING THAT'S OCCURRED OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS IS THAT A
2 SUBSTANTIAL DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF JUVENILES THAT HAVE BEEN
3 ARRESTED FOR FELONY CRIMES. THAT NUMBER IS DOWN 46 PERCENT IN
4 SPITE OF AN INCREASE IN THE JUVENILE POPULATION, NOT ONLY IN
5 THIS COUNTY BUT STATEWIDE AND NATIONALLY.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT IF THIS DOES OCCUR, WE KNOW HOW SACRAMENTO
8 WORKS.

9

10 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT IS THE DIRECT IMPACT ON OUR COUNTY'S ABILITY
13 TO HAVE SPACE TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS?

14

15 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** WHAT IT COULD MEAN, OVER THE LONG-TERM AND NOT
16 INITIALLY BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T ACCEPT THINK OF ANY OF THE
17 MINORS THAT ARE CURRENTLY HOUSED IN THE CALIFORNIA
18 INSTITUTIONS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, REGARDLESS IF YOU ACCEPT THEM TODAY OR WE
21 DON'T ACCEPT THEM TODAY BUT TOMORROW, WE WOULD HAVE TO, AS YOU
22 KNOW, IF WE HAD TO BUILD NEW FACILITIES, THE TIMELINE IN
23 BUILDING IS MANY YEARS.

24

25 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** YES.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO FIND MORE SPACE,
3 ANOTHER LOCATION. THE QUESTION IS HOW DO WE PREPARE FOR THAT
4 IMPACT?

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6 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** IN LOOKING AT IT, WE BELIEVE THAT THE IMPACT OF
7 THAT WOULD BE ABOUT-- IN THE WORST CASE SCENARIO-- WOULD BE
8 BETWEEN 200 AND 300 MINORS ADDED TO OUR FACILITIES AND WE HAVE
9 THE CAPACITY RIGHT NOW TO TAKE CARE OF THAT POPULATION GROUP.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN DO WE KNOW WHEN THE STATE'S GOING TO
12 HAVE A FINALIZED PROPOSAL? ARE WE WAITING UNTIL NEXT MONTH
13 WHEN THE BUDGET'S BEING DEBATED AND FINALIZED? OR ARE WE
14 LOOKING AT NEXT MONTH, A DIALOGUE AND THEN THE DIALOGUE TO
15 CONTINUE IN THE PROCEEDING FISCAL YEAR?

16

17 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** WE THINK THAT A PROPOSAL WITH MORE LEGS UNDER
18 IT WILL DEVELOP AS A PART OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE CONFERENCE
19 AND I'M SURE THAT, DURING THAT CONFERENCE, THAT THEY WILL BE
20 ASKING FOR MORE INPUT FROM THE COUNTIES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN IF IT IS POSITIVE ON THEIR SIDE AND A
23 NEGATIVE FOR OUR SIDE, HOW MUCH SPACE ARE WE CONTEMPLATING
24 BEING IMPACTED FOR?

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1 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** I DON'T NECESSARILY SEE THIS AS A NEGATIVE ON
2 OUR SIDE BECAUSE, RIGHT NOW, WE ARE HAVING TO PAY THE STATE ON
3 A SLIDING SCALE FOR ALL OF THE 707(A)S THAT WE SEND TO THE
4 STATE. SO IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE SENDING THOSE OFFENDERS TO
5 THE STATE, THEN THAT'S MONEY THAT WE WON'T BE PAYING TO THE
6 STATE FOR THE CUSTODY OF THOSE MINORS. WE'LL BE ASSUMING THAT
7 OBLIGATION OURSELF, LOCALLY. ADDITIONALLY, THE STATE WILL BE
8 PAYING US FOR THOSE MINORS THAT WE DON'T SEND TO THEIR
9 FACILITIES.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. BUT I'M TALKING ABOUT THE TYPE OF
12 SPACE THAT'S NECESSARY FOR THOSE MINORS. AND IS THIS A SITE
13 THAT WE WOULD BE NEEDING IF THEY MAKE THAT DETERMINATION IN
14 SACRAMENTO?

15

16 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** AT THIS POINT, I DON'T SEE THAT WE WOULD NEED
17 ANY ADDITIONAL SPACE. I BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE THE CAPACITY
18 RIGHT NOW TO TAKE ALL OF THOSE MINORS THAT WE CURRENTLY SEND
19 TO THE STATE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. JANSSEN, BECAUSE THE DISCUSSIONS ARE
22 FLUID AND ONGOING WITH SENATE BILL 575, IF WE DELAYED ACTION
23 TODAY UNTIL WE GOT A BETTER HANDLE AS TO THE DIRECTION IT'S
24 GOING, I KNOW THAT THE LEGISLATION IS STILL-- IT'S ONLY IN
25 RULES COMMITTEE TODAY. IT'S NOT IN THE POLICY COMMITTEE.



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SUP. KNABE: WELL, IT'S A VERY BILL SPECIFIC TO THE SITE THERE AT WHITTIER. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, THE GOVERNOR HAS INDICATED IN HIS OFFICES AND, YOU KNOW, YOU CALL IT FLUID. WE'VE BEEN IN INTIMATE DISCUSSIONS ON THIS BILL, THAT HAS INDICATED THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PUT ANY FACILITY WHERE A COMMUNITY DOES NOT WANT. THE CITY OF WHITTIER HAS TAKEN THE ACTION THAT THEY-- I MEAN, THEY'VE BEEN FLIP FLOPPED ON THIS THING TWICE NOW. AND NOW THE STATE'S WILLING TO WORK WITH THEM AND THEY KNOW THAT ABOUT \$107 MILLION FROM THAT PIECE OF PROPERTY WILL GO RIGHT INTO STATE GENERAL FUND TO OFFSET SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT BOB HAS ARTICULATED HERE TODAY. SO THIS SITE IS NOT ON THE TABLE. IT'S JUST A FORMALITY TO ASK YOUR APPROVAL OF THIS PARTICULAR PIECE OF LEGISLATION. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PUT A FACILITY THERE.

16

SUP. ANTONOVICH: MY CONCERN IS, IF WE DELAYED IT FOR TWO WEEKS AS A DETERMINATION OF WHAT HAPPENS IN THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE OR IN THE DISCUSSIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE PRIOR TO THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE, BECAUSE THE LEGISLATION IS NOT GOING TO THE POLICY COMMITTEE, IT'S ONLY IN RULES AND THEY'RE GOING TO ASSIGN IT TO POLICY COMMITTEE AND I WOULD ASSUME THE HEARING WOULD NOT BE THE FOLLOWING DAY. IF WE COULD JUST WAIT TWO WEEKS OR A WEEK TO COULD FIND OUT WHERE WE'RE GOING. BECAUSE...

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2 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PUT A FACILITY THERE,
3 MIKE. I MEAN, END OF CONVERSATION.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW THE STATE TOLD US WE WERE GOING TO
6 HAVE MONEY IF WE VOTED FOR THAT BOND PROPOSAL FOR ROADS AND
7 TRANSPORTATION AND NOW WE FIND THEY'RE TAKING SOME OF THAT
8 MONEY THAT THEY VOTED FOR TO PUT INTO THE BUDGET FOR GENERAL
9 FUND PURPOSES SO WHAT THEY TELL YOU DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN
10 WHAT THE END RESULT'S GOING TO BE BUT I'M NOT OPPOSED TO THE
11 BILL. I'M JUST CONCERNED, YOU KNOW, THAT IT'S A COMMITMENT
12 WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE FORCED WITH HAVING TO BUILD NEW
13 FACILITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY. AND, DAVID, IS THERE AN URGENCY,
14 OR DO YOU SEE AN URGENCY?

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IN TERMS OF THE BILL ITSELF, NO. BECAUSE IT
17 IS, AS YOU SAID, IN RULES COMMITTEE. IT HASN'T BEEN ASSIGNED
18 YET. IT'S NOT AN URGENCY BILL. IT'S A TWO-YEAR BILL. BUT THAT
19 DOESN'T MEAN THAT, AS PART OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GOVERNOR,
20 THAT IT COULDN'T BE MOVED UP MORE QUICKLY IF THERE-- I MEAN,
21 IT APPEARS THAT THE GOVERNOR IS PROPOSING TO SELL STATE ASSETS
22 AS PART OF THE BUDGET. IT JUST OCCURRED TO ME, I DON'T KNOW IF
23 THIS PROPERTY IS IN THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, BECAUSE IT HASN'T. I MEAN...



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ALL RIGHT. SO IT IS NOT PART OF THE GOVERNOR'S
3 BUDGET BUT I COULD SEE IT POTENTIALLY COMING OUT OF
4 DISCUSSIONS IN THE END OF JUNE TO GET THROWN ON THE TABLE BUT
5 NOT RIGHT NOW.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. MOLINA?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU KNOW, FRED C. NELLES IS A PROPERTY THAT I
10 KNOW VERY WELL HAVING GROWN UP NEAR IT BUT-- AND I'VE ALSO
11 GOTTEN A LOT OF PHONE CALLS BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE VERY CONCERNED
12 ALL AROUND IT AS TO WHAT'S GOING TO BE BUILT THERE. AND THE
13 THOUGHT OF CONTINUING ANY KIND OF, AS WE USED TO CALL IT, A
14 REFORM SCHOOL WHEN WE WERE KIDS IS REAL TROUBLESOME FOR THEM.
15 BUT I AM NOT YET PREPARED-- AND I'M SYMPATHETIC, MR. KNABE,
16 WITH THOSE ISSUES AND ALSO WITH MR. CALDERON'S BILL. ONE OF
17 THE THINGS IS WE'VE NOT TAKEN-- WE DON'T HAVE A CLEAR, CONCISE
18 POSITION ON THIS, ON ALL OF IT COLLECTIVELY AND I THINK THIS
19 IS PART OF THE MIX. NOW, GRANTED, THEY MAY NEVER BUILD A
20 FACILITY THERE BUT IT IS A LOT OF MONEY. AND IT IS PART, I
21 THINK, OF ONE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS THAT SHOULD BE A PART OF IT.
22 IT'S A HUGE PIECE OF PROPERTY. I DON'T KNOW THAT, AS SURPLUS
23 PROPERTY, THAT IT SHOULD JUST BE SOLD TO A DEVELOPER FOR
24 HOUSING OR A DEVELOPER FOR A MINI MALL OR WHATEVER THEY'RE
25 GOING TO DO WITH IT. WHEN YOU HAVE A PARCEL THIS LARGE, I



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1 THINK THERE ARE UNMET NEEDS, PARTICULARLY IN JUVENILE JUSTICE
2 AREAS, IN WHICH YOU COULD DO SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE VERY
3 HELPFUL. AGAIN, MEETING MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS, IT MAY NOT BE
4 ANYTHING. BUT I AM HESITANT TO MOVE FORWARD AS YET ON
5 SUPPORTING THIS BILL BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T EVEN TAKEN A POSITION
6 OPPOSING THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL, WHICH I THINK WE SHOULD DO.
7 IN MY DISCUSSION WITH SOME OF THE LEGISLATORS WHO HAVE ASKED
8 ME, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? WHAT DO YOU THINK? THEY THINK
9 THAT WE'RE NOT THAT OPPOSED TO IT. AND I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN
10 INVOLVED IN DISCUSSIONS WITH ALL THE PROBATION HEADS
11 THROUGHOUT THE STATE BUT OUR LEGISLATORS AREN'T CLEARLY
12 UNDERSTAND WHAT L.A. COUNTY'S POSITION IS AND I'M NOT SO SURE
13 I UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR POSITION IS. FIRST OF ALL, IT'S IF
14 THEY'RE GOING TO PUSH US, PUSH BACK THESE C.Y.A. FOLKS ON US
15 AND YOU'RE EXPLAINING NOW THE 707(A)S AND (B)S, I MEAN, AND
16 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT NEGOTIATING THE DOLLARS THAT COME WITH
17 IT, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE ROOM AND THOSE THAT ARE GOING TO
18 STAY WITHIN OUR SYSTEM BECAUSE WE HAVE SOME 707(A)S THAT ARE
19 BORDERLINE, AS WELL, AND SO WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL THE LEVEL OF
20 RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE'RE TAKING. IF I COULD ASK, DON, I'M NOT
21 OPPOSED TO IT AS YET AND I'M NOT NECESSARILY MOVING AHEAD THAT
22 FRED C. FRED C. NELLES SHOULD NOW BE A SITE FOR "ANOTHER
23 REFORM SCHOOL".

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, I WOULDN'T START THAT RUMOR.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** [LAUGHS] BUT, AT THE SAME TIME I THINK IT'S
3 PART OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, IT'S PART OF THE MIX THAT GOES HERE
4 AND WE HAVEN'T EVEN TAKEN A POSITION AS YET ON-- WE'RE NOT
5 OPPOSED TO THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL AS YET. SOME OF THE
6 LEGISLATORS ASKED ME AND I SAID WE'RE STILL TRYING TO SORT IT
7 OUT. AND THIS BOARD HAS NOT SORTED IT OUT. IN OTHER WORDS,
8 THIS PRESENTATION HAS NOT BEEN MADE TO US. WE HAVEN'T TAKEN A
9 POSITION. WE NEED TO DO SO. AND I THINK THIS IS PART OF THE
10 MIX THAT SHOULD BE IN THERE AS WE NEGOTIATE THIS ISSUE. NOW, I
11 DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OF THE OTHER COUNTIES ARE GOING TO DO IT.
12 I MEAN, WE'RE ONE OF THE FEW COUNTIES THAT HAVE CAMPS. ARE
13 THEY JUST GOING TO HAVE, WHAT, AN INCREASED JUVENILE HALL OF
14 SOME TYPE? HOW ARE THEY GOING TO KEEP SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE IN
15 COUNTIES THAT PRESENTLY DON'T HAVE SYSTEMS IN PLACE?

16

17 **ROBERT TAYLOR:** SOME OF THE NORTHERN COUNTIES DON'T HAVE CAMPS.
18 AND SO WHAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT DOING IS DEVELOPING A
19 REGIONAL CAMP NETWORK. THAT'S THE WAY THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT
20 APPROACHING IT. BUT SOME OF OUR NEIGHBORING COUNTIES, SAN
21 BERNARDINO, RIVERSIDE, ORANGE, VENTURA, THEY ALL HAVE A CAMP
22 SYSTEM.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. BUT THE ISSUE IS THAT, AGAIN, I MEAN,
25 THAT'S WHY I'M SAYING, IF THEY DEVELOP SOMETHING, IT'S GOING



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1 TO COST THEM A LOT MORE THAN THE REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT THAT
2 THEY'RE GOING TO GET PER KID. SO I THINK THERE'S A WAY TO GO
3 ON THIS AND I'D LIKE IT TO BE MORE COMPREHENSIVE BECAUSE I
4 WANT TO UNDERSTAND IT. I GOT THE LIST OF WHAT A 707(B) IS NOW
5 AS YOU EXPLAINED IT TO VICKI AND I APPRECIATE THAT BUT I'M NOT
6 SO SURE THAT WE'RE READY AND WE'RE NOT BEING PRESENTED WITH A
7 POSITION OVERALL AS TO HOW TO TAKE. I THINK YOU SHOULD
8 NEGOTIATE, I THINK THAT'S A GOOD THING. BUT I DO THINK THAT WE
9 NEED TO TAKE A POSITION THAT IS UNDERSTOOD. AND YOU, WHILE YOU
10 SAID THE ARRESTS ARE DOWN, THE GANG PROBLEM IN MY COMMUNITY IS
11 ESCALATING. WE JUST AREN'T CATCHING THEM, THAT'S ALL. WE GOT
12 GRAFFITI ALL OVER THE PLACE. WE HAVE SO MANY UNSOLVED GANG
13 HOMICIDES OUT THERE THAT ARE GOING ON. WE HAVE ESCALATING
14 PROBLEMS THAT ARE GOING ON. AND SO I WOULDN'T BUY INTO IT BIG
15 TIME INTO THAT. BUT, YOU KNOW, MY-- THE BEST THING ALWAYS IS
16 TO HAVE A CAMP THAT KIDS CAN GO TO AND HOPEFULLY REHABILITATE
17 BUT WE ARE ON OVERLOAD AS IT IS. SO IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE
18 NEED TO LOOK AT COMPREHENSIVELY. SO, DON, IF I COULD ASK YOU,
19 AND I'M GOING TO ASK YOU, DAVID, HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE FOR
20 YOUR STAFF TO PUT SOMETHING TOGETHER THAT WOULD BE A LITTLE
21 BIT MORE COMPREHENSIVE IN CONCERT WITH MR. TAYLOR AND MAYBE
22 EVEN MENTAL HEALTH AND SOME OF THE OTHER FOLKS?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** WE HAVE NO-- I MEAN, WE HAVE-- THIS IS NOT OUR
25 NEGOTIATING POSITION. THIS BELONGS TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.



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1 WHILE THE 107 MILLION IS NOT IN THE BUDGET, THE \$88 MILLION A
2 YEAR IN COST SAVINGS BECAUSE IT'S ALREADY SHUT DOWN IS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M NOT SAYING THAT THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO
5 OPERATE IT. I'M NOT SAYING THAT AT ALL. I'M JUST SAYING IT'S A
6 VERY, VERY LARGE PIECE OF LAND AND I KNOW WHAT WHITTIER WANTS.
7 WHITTIER WANTS A MALL OR HOUSING.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY WANT A DEVELOPMENT. THEY WANT HOUSING.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** ANYTHING THAT'S GOING TO BRING IN AN INCREASE TO
12 THEIR TAX BASE. I'M JUST SAYING IT'S A LARGE PIECE OF PROPERTY
13 THAT COULD GO A LONG WAY TO MAYBE HELP IN OTHER AREAS. AGAIN,
14 MENTAL HEALTH WOULD BE A GREAT BIG ONE, AS WELL.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THAT'S NOT OUR NEGOTIATING POSITION. IT'S A
17 PIECE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE
18 BOUNDARIES THE CITY OF WHITTIER. I MEAN, I'LL DELAY IT AS LONG
19 AS YOU WANT. I MEAN, I'M GOING TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE
20 CALDERON BILL, YOU CAN DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I APPRECIATE THAT AND I'M NOT SAYING I'M
23 NOT GOING TO SUPPORT THE CALDERON BILL. I'M JUST SAYING WE
24 NEED SOMETHING MORE COMPREHENSIVE. WE HAVEN'T LOOKED AT IT.
25 COULD WE JUST DO SO-- DID YOU SAY TWO WEEKS?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** TWO WEEKS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S NOT BAD BECAUSE IT'S NOT IN A STATE OF
5 URGENCY AS FAR AS THE BILL IS CONCERNED.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. TWO WEEKS, I DON'T THINK THE BILL WILL
8 BE ANYWHERE. I'M NOT SURE THAT...

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, IT WON'T BE. IT'S NOT PART OF YOUR
11 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHAT SHE'S LOOKING
12 FOR BUT I WILL TELL YOU...

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, WE DON'T KNOW.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU HAVE NO LEVERAGE.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, ARE YOU ASKING US TO ADD CONSIDERATION
19 OF THAT PROPERTY AS PART OF OUR-- OF THE COUNTY'S PACKAGE?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I DIDN'T HEAR THAT.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, I'M NOT SAYING THAT. I DO NOT KNOW, OKAY,
2 WHAT IS GOING ON. AND THE STATE WILL DO AT THE END WHAT IT'S
3 GOING TO DO WITH THAT PROPERTY. I AM JUST SAYING THAT WE HAVE
4 NOT NEGOTIATED WITH THE STATE AS TO WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO
5 AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITY, AS WELL. AT THE END, THEY CAN PUSH
6 DOWN ALL OF THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THEY HAVE BACK TO US.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THEY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO. WE DO HAVE PROP
9 A, 1(A) AT PLAY HERE SO IT ISN'T QUITE AS SIMPLE FOR THEM AS
10 IT USED TO BE. BUT WE HAVE NOT GIVEN YOU, YOU'RE RIGHT, THE
11 DETAILS OF THE PROPOSAL, EITHER THE GOVERNOR'S, WHAT'S BEING
12 NEGOTIATED AND RECOMMENDED POSITION...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT YOU UNDERSTAND THIS IS NOT OPEN. THIS HAS BEEN
15 CLOSED DOWN FOR THREE YEARS.

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I'M TALKING ABOUT NOW THE 70, 7(A) AND (B)
18 ISSUE.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE KNOW THAT FRED C. FRED C. NELLES HAS BEEN
21 CLOSED DOWN FOR A LONG TIME, BELIEVE ME. EVERY TIME I GO BY, I
22 KEPT SAYING, WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO WITH THIS PROPERTY?
23 THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN, THERE WAS A BIG TALK ABOUT WHITTIER
24 TAKING OVER AND IT WAS THE ISSUE ABOUT THEY'RE GOING TO PUT IN
25 HOUSING OR A BIG MALL BECAUSE MY DISTRICT IS RIGHT ON THE EDGE



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1 OF IT. AND I'M NOT SAYING I WANT IT TO BE A REFORM SCHOOL
2 NECESSARILY BUT LET ME TELL YOU, THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS THAT
3 COULD HAPPEN WITH THAT SITE. ANYTHING FROM A SCHOOL OR OTHER
4 KINDS OF THINGS. AND JUST SELLING IT TO A DEVELOPER THAT'S
5 GOING TO OUTBID US ON ANY OF IT IS NOT NECESSARILY WHAT I WANT
6 TO DO, EITHER.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU WANT US TO BID ON IT?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I DO NOT. I WANT US TO LOOK AT IT. I WANT US
11 TO SEE, AND THERE SHOULD BE ONE APPROACH. AND YOU MIGHT, AT
12 THE END, SPIT IT OUT AND SAY THIS IS, AS DON SAYS, HAS NO
13 RELEVANCE WHATSOEVER, NOT ON THE BUDGET AND ALL OF THAT BUT
14 I'M JUST SAYING THAT THERE'S NO REASON TO TAKE POSITION AS YET
15 WHEN WE HAVEN'T LOOKED AT THE ENTIRE THING WITH REGARD TO THIS
16 ISSUE THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS PROPOSED WITH REGARD TO, YOU KNOW,
17 CLOSING DOWN C.Y.A.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WAITING TWO WEEKS.
20 BUT I MEAN, I DON'T SEE WHAT OUR LEVERAGE IS. UNLESS YOU'RE
21 ASKING THE C.A.O. TO SAY WE WANT TO BECOME A BIDDER ON THE
22 PROPERTY TO CONTROL THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M NOT ASKING THE C.A.O. TO DO ANYTHING OTHER
25 THAN TO LOOK AT IT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THEN THERE'S NO LEVERAGE AND IT'S BETWEEN THE
3 STATE AND THE CITY OF WHITTIER.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND MAY NOT BE AND HE MAY, IN TWO WEEKS, SAY
6 THERE IS NO LEVERAGE, GO AHEAD...

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** AND ANY IMPACT ON OUR SYSTEM IS BUILT IN FOR THREE
9 YEARS ALREADY. IT'S BEEN SHUT DOWN. I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND
10 WHERE YOU'RE GOING WITH IT BUT I'LL WAIT TWO WEEKS.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S AN OLD FACILITY, IT WAS BUILT IN 1890
13 SOMEWHERE, IT'S FALLING APART. THEY MAY-- IT'S NOT LIKE
14 ANYBODY COULD INHABIT IT TOMORROW. I UNDERSTAND.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT, BUT, I MEAN, THEY'VE ALREADY BUILT IN ABOUT
17 \$88 MILLION A YEAR SAVINGS. IT'S IN THEIR BUDGET.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** OPERATIONALLY.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK IF YOU DON'T MIND, WE COULD JUST HOLD IT
24 FOR TWO WEEKS AND YOU IN THE MEANTIME WILL COME BACK WITH
25 SOMETHING MORE COMPREHENSIVE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK THERE'S A CONSENSUS ON
3 HOLDING IT OVER TWO WEEKS.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND IT'S NOT JUST ON THIS BILL, DAVID. I HOPE YOU
6 UNDERSTAND. IT'S ON THE ENTIRE WHOLE JUVENILE JUSTICE ISSUE.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S ON THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** THE BILL RELATES TO THIS SPECIFIC PIECE OF
11 PROPERTY.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE HAVE TO START, I THINK, WITH THE GOVERNOR'S
14 PROPOSAL TO SHUT DOWN 1,400 BEDS AT THE STATE. THAT'S WHAT
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH STARTED WITH IS WHERE ARE WE ON THAT?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXACTLY.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NUMBER ONE. AND THEN DOES FRED C. NELLES IN
20 ANY WAY PLAY A PART IN THAT?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, THERE'S TWO SHUTDOWNS. ONE IS THE
2 FUTURE SHUTDOWN OF 1,400 BEDS. THIS BUILDING HAS BEEN SHUT
3 DOWN FOR THREE YEARS AND BUILT INTO THE SYSTEM ALREADY.

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S NOT BEING UTILIZED AT ALL.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THIS WILL BE
10 PUT OVER FOR TWO WEEKS. THAT WAS ITEM 17.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** ITEM, LET'S SEE, 24, BEACHES AND HARBORS.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO
15 WISH TO BE HEARD ON THIS. IS THERE A NEED FOR A STAFF
16 PRESENTATION FIRST? DON?

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHOULD WE HAVE A STAFF
21 PRESENTATION FIRST?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** IT WAS HELD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE CAN HAVE
24 A STAFF PRESENTATION FIRST IF YOU'D LIKE. IT'S UP TO YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE HAVE A BRIEF STAFF
2 PRESENTATION? 24.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS IS 24. THIS IS NOT 24, I HOPE.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S NOT 24.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T SUPPORT THAT DEVELOPMENT, I'LL TELL YOU
9 THAT RIGHT NOW.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S CONTEMPORARY ART, ACTUALLY.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S THE COUNTY REORG.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 24. WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WISH TO BE
18 HEARD. GREG SCHEM AND NANCY VERNON MARINO. WHY DON'T WE HEAR
19 FROM THE PUBLIC FIRST? STAN, WHY DON'T YOU SIT ON THE SIDE.

20

21 **STAN:** OKAY.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SCHEM, YOU'RE ON FIRST.

24



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1 **GREG SCHEM:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
2 GREG SCHEM AND I'M A LESSEE IN MARINA DEL REY AND THE BOATYARD
3 AND MARINA DEL REY FUEL DOCK AND AN ACTIVE BOATER. I'M HERE
4 THIS MORNING TO SHED SOME LIGHT ON A FLAWED PROCESS THAT HAS
5 ALLOWED THIS PROJECT FOR THE DRY STACK TO COME TO YOUR BOARD
6 PREMATURELY. AS YOU KNOW, THE COUNTY WEARS TWO VERY DIFFERENT
7 HATS WHEN APPROVING PROJECTS ON MARINA DEL REY. ON ONE HAND,
8 IT ACTS ON ITS PROPRIETARY CAPACITY IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE
9 REVENUE. ON THE OTHER HAND, IT IS THE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARD
10 FOR PUBLIC ACCESS. AS POINTED OUT IN THE STAFF REPORT, THE
11 PROJECT BEFORE YOU WAS APPROVED AT THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR
12 COMMISSION BY A 4-1 VOTE. HOWEVER, IT WAS OMITTED FROM THE
13 REPORT IS THE FACT THAT THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD UNANIMOUSLY
14 REJECTED THE PROJECT THE VERY NEXT DAY. YOU'RE BEING ASKED
15 TODAY TO APPROVE A LEASE OPTION FOR THIS PROJECT WHICH WOULD
16 PERMIT ONLY THE PROJECTS SPECIFICALLY APPROVED BY THE SMALL
17 CRAFT HARBOR COMMISSION TO BE BUILT. IN OTHER WORDS, THE ONLY
18 PROJECT THAT COULD BE BUILT IS THE ONE THAT WAS UNANIMOUSLY
19 REJECTED. FURTHERMORE, ONCE THIS LEASE OPTION IS GRANTED, THE
20 PARCELS WOULD BE TIED UP FOR SEVERAL YEARS, GENERATING NO
21 REVENUE TO THE COUNTY. IN THIS CASE, APPROVING A PROJECT WHOSE
22 DESIGN HAS ALREADY BEEN REJECTED CERTAINLY SEEMS LIKE PUTTING
23 THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE. SOME WILL QUESTION WHETHER THE
24 DESIGN CONTROL BOARD IS EVEN NECESSARY TO PERMIT THE PROJECT
25 TO MOVE ALONG TO REGIONAL PLANNING. IN THIS REGARD, PLEASE LET



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1 ME REFERENCE THREE DOCUMENTS WHICH DO REQUIRE SUCH PRIOR
2 APPROVAL. NUMBER ONE, THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS'
3 POLICY IS STATED ON THEIR WEBSITE. NUMBER 2, LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY CODE SECTION 2.116.130. AND NUMBER 3, THE LEASE ITSELF
5 THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING TODAY SPECIFICALLY REQUIRES D.C.B.
6 APPROVAL. I URGE YOU TO REJECT APPROVAL OF THIS LEASE OPTION
7 UNLESS AND UNTIL THE PROJECT IS APPROVED BY THE DESIGN CONTROL
8 BOARD. THIS PROJECT, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT TO MANY PEOPLE,
9 SETS A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT BY BUILDING OUT OVER THE WATER. THE
10 D.C.B. SERVES AS A VEHICLE FOR LOCAL PUBLIC INPUT. BY NOT
11 REQUIRING THE APPROVAL OF THE D.C.B. FIRST, YOU'RE ELIMINATING
12 ANY FURTHER PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN THE DESIGN PROCESS AND
13 RELYING PREDOMINANTLY ON THE PROPRIETARY FUNCTION OF THE
14 COUNTY ALONE. FINALLY, WITHOUT GOING INTO THE DEPTH OF THE
15 REVIEW THAT WAS CONDUCTED BY THE D.C.B., I'D LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT
16 A FEW OF THE PRIMARY REASONS WHY THIS PROJECT WAS REJECTED.
17 NUMBER ONE, THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE
18 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN THE L.C.P. NUMBER 2, THE
19 PROPOSED PROJECT ELIMINATES 240 AFFORDABLE BOAT SLIPS IN
20 MARINA DEL REY. NUMBER THREE, THE PROJECT HAS DRAWN A LOUD
21 OUTCRY FROM THE BOATING COMMUNITY FOR ITS DESIGN HAVING AN 80-
22 FOOT HIGH PROJECT OUT OVER THE WATER BY 100 FEET. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? NANCY MARINO?

25



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1 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY I WOULD
2 LIKE ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE LISTEN TO THE PUBLIC
3 TESTIMONY. WHAT A RUDENESS. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE THREE MINUTES TO
4 COME AND BRING ISSUES OF SIGNIFICANCE TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
5 SUPERVISORS. MR. ANTONOVICH IS ON HIS P.D.A. OR SOMETHING. MS.
6 BURKE IS DOING SOMETHING ON HER LAPTOP. YOU WERE SPEAKING WITH
7 SOMEBODY ELSE THROUGH ABOUT HALF OF THAT TESTIMONY. AND MR.
8 YAROSLAVSKY STILL ISN'T WITH US.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** ABOUT THIS ISSUE.

11

12 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** ABOUT THIS ISSUE. I AM JUST, I AM SO
13 OFFENDED BY THE LACK OF ATTENTION BY THE SUPERVISORS TO THIS
14 ISSUE.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO START NOW?

17

18 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** IF MR. YAROSLAVSKY IS READY, I'M READY.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, NO, HE'S NOT-- WELL, HERE HE IS NOW.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ACTUALLY, I APPRECIATE AND I
23 APOLOGIZE BUT I WAS CONDUCTING SOME URGENT COUNTY BUSINESS.

24



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1 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** WELL, PERHAPS MR. SCHEM SHOULD BE
2 ALLOWED...

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I HEARD WHAT MR. SCHEM HAD
5 TO SAY.

6

7 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** OH, OKAY. WELL, YOU MULTITASK BETTER THAN
8 I DO.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND SOME OF US WHO HAVE DOING THIS
11 FOR AWHILE, WE ACTUALLY HAVE TWO EARS AND WE CAN LISTEN WITH
12 BOTH OF THEM AND I APPRECIATE IT SO...

13

14 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** WELL, SOME OF US WHO TAKE A DAY OFF OF
15 WORK ARE VERY OFFENDED BY IT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW. AND THAT'S WHY I
18 APOLOGIZE. SO PLEASE PROCEED. GIVE HER HER TIME. START HER
19 TIME OVER AGAIN. THIS IS NOT FAIR TO HER.

20

21 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** ALL RIGHT. THE TERM SHEET FOR THIS WAS
22 BROUGHT ON MARCH 6TH. THIS CAME TO THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR
23 COMMISSION FOR THE LEASE OPTION PRIOR TO ANY CONSIDERATION OF
24 THE CONCEPT OF THE PROJECT, WHICH IS DONE BY THE D.C.B. THE
25 APPROVAL OR THE-- EXCUSE ME, THE RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL



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1 WAS VOTED BY THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR COMMISSION THE DAY BEFORE
2 THE D.C.B. JUST RESOUNDINGLY REJECTED THIS PROJECT. PERHAPS
3 THEY DIDN'T MAKE A MOTION AND VOTE. BUT THEY WERE CLEARLY VERY
4 MUCH AGAINST THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT AND, INDEED, ANY PROJECT
5 THAT STICKS OUT OVER THE WATER AND THEY SAID SO IN NO
6 UNCERTAIN TERMS. THE APRIL 26TH STAFF REPORT TO THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS MENTIONS THAT THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD HAS NOT YET
8 RULED ON THE PROJECT BUT MENTIONS THEIR COMMENTS FROM AN
9 INITIAL MEETING MAKE IT SEEM APPROVAL IS UNLIKELY DUE TO THE
10 BUILDING BEING BUILT PARTIALLY OVER THE WATER AND ITS SIZE.
11 HOWEVER, APPARENTLY, THE LATEST STAFF REPORT DOES NOT EVEN
12 MENTION THIS DESIGN CONTROL BOARD DISAPPROVAL OR OBJECTION TO
13 THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. I'M WONDERING IF YOU FIVE SUPERVISORS
14 ARE AWARE, FIRST, OF THE VEHEMENCE OF THE D.C.B.'S OBJECTION
15 TO THIS PROJECT AND, (B) THE PERHAPS INADVERTENT DROPPING OF
16 THIS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAD OPPOSED THAT WHEN IT WAS BEFORE THIS
19 BOARD AND I STILL CONTINUE TO OPPOSE IT SO...

20

21 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** I BEG YOUR PARDON?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE OPPOSED THIS PROJECT WHEN IT HAD COME
24 BEFORE THE BOARD AND I CONTINUE TO OPPOSE IT.

25



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1 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** WELL, I WASN'T AWARE OF IT COMING BEFORE
2 THE BOARD BEFORE THIS TIME, WHICH BRINGS ME TO MY SECOND
3 POINT...

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S BEEN BEFORE US FOR AT LEAST ABOUT A YEAR OR
6 TWO? HOW MANY YEARS HAVE WE BEEN GOING OVER THIS?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS HAS BEEN BEFORE THE BOARD A NUMBER OF
9 TIMES.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** THREE OR FOUR TIMES.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND MY COMMISSIONER VOTED AGAINST THIS
14 PROJECT WHEN IT WAS BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET HER FINISH BECAUSE HER
17 TIME IS RUNNING OUT HERE.

18

19 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. IT BRINGS ME
20 TO MY SECOND POINT, WHICH IS THE LACK OF PUBLIC NOTICE ON THIS
21 PROJECT. AS I MENTIONED IN EARLIER TESTIMONY, THE PUBLIC
22 NOTICE OR THE NOTICES ARE SENT-- APPARENTLY THEY'RE SENT TO
23 ALL THE LESSEES. THEY ARE NOT SENT TO ANY OF THE RESIDENTS NOR
24 ARE THEY SENT TO ANY BOAT OWNERS. I BELIEVE THAT THE LAW
25 REQUIRES THAT NOTICE BE SENT TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS SO AT



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1 LEAST THE BOAT OWNERS, WHO DO PAY COUNTY TAX TO THE COUNTY OF
2 LOS ANGELES, ARE LEGALLY ENTITLED TO NOTICE ON ALL OF THESE
3 PROJECTS WITHIN MARINA DEL REY BUT CERTAINLY, ON THIS ONE,
4 EVERY BOATER IN MARINA DEL REY SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED A PUBLIC
5 NOTICE ON THIS. AND I THINK, CONSIDERING THE VAST NATURE OR
6 THE IMPACT OF THIS PROJECT, THAT RESIDENTS OF MARINA DEL REY
7 SHOULD ALSO BE GIVEN NOTICE. THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY IS BEING
8 REDEVELOPED AND A MASTER PLAN IS NEEDED. A MASTER PLAN IS
9 REALLY NEEDED.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. WISNIEWSKI, WOULD YOU JUST
12 GIVE US A BRIEF SUMMATION OF WHAT'S BEFORE US FOR THE RECORD?

13

14 **STAN WISNIEWSKI:** YES. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THIS
15 PROJECT HAS BEEN BEFORE YOUR BOARD ON TWO OTHER OCCASIONS. WE
16 HAD TWO R.F.P. PROCESSES. THE FIRST ONE WAS CONSIDERED VOID
17 AND WE RE-R.F.P.'D THE PROCESS. THE SUCCESSFUL PROPONENT,
18 THROUGH BOTH PROCESSES, WAS THE ONE THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING
19 HERE TODAY. WE'VE HAD SOME PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
20 CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF. WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE
21 THIS WILL BE APPROVED AT THE COASTAL COMMISSION, CERTAINLY AT
22 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD HAS
23 NOT YET VOTED ON THE PROJECT, ALTHOUGH, AS MY REPORT TO YOU
24 INDICATES, BECAUSE OF THE HEIGHT OF THE PROJECT AND THE OVER
25 THE WATER ASPECT, THEIR VOTE LIKELY WILL BE NO. MR. SCHEM



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1 REFERRED TO SOME 240 LOW INCOME BOAT SLIPS BEING DISPLACED. I
2 DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT'S ALL ABOUT. THERE CERTAINLY IS NOTHING
3 BEING DISPLACED. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THIS IS A PROJECT THAT
4 WOULD BE, I'M SURE, SUPPORTED BY OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE
5 BOATERS IN MARINA DEL REY BECAUSE IT PROVIDES OVER 300 SPACES
6 FOR DRY STACK BOAT STORAGE IN MARINA DEL REY. THE COASTAL
7 COMMISSION REGIONAL DIRECTOR INDICATED TO US THAT THIS WAS THE
8 WAVE OF THE FUTURE. IT MAKES SENSE. WE ARE INTENSIFYING THE
9 USE OF LAND AND WATER FOR THE VERY PURPOSE THAT MARINA DEL REY
10 WAS CREATED, FOR THE SMALL BOATER. THIS FACILITY WILL ACCEPT
11 BOATS UP TO 30 SOME FEET, PERHAPS 40 FEET IN LENGTH AND IT'S A
12 REAL ECONOMICAL WAY TO GO FORWARD INSTEAD OF HAVING YOUR BOAT
13 IN THE WATER, WHERE THE MAINTENANCE COSTS ARE MUCH HIGHER.
14 THAT'S BASICALLY THE SUMMATION. MR. SCHEM DID MENTION ONE
15 OTHER THING. HE OBJECTED TO THIS PROJECT BEING CONSIDERED BY
16 YOUR BOARD BEFORE IT WAS APPROVED BY THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD,
17 THAT AN OPTION SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED. I MIGHT REMIND HIM THAT,
18 ON HIS PARCEL 1, HIS FUEL DOCK FACILITY IN MARINA DEL REY,
19 WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD ON THURSDAY OF
20 LAST WEEK, HE HAD RECEIVED AN OPTION FROM THIS BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS TO PURSUE THAT REGULATORY PROCESS BACK IN MAY, ON
22 MAY 2ND OF 2006. SO THIS PROCESS IS CONSISTENT, IT HAS BEEN
23 FOR ALL THE PROJECTS IN MARINA DEL REY. THERE IS NO DEVIATION
24 FROM OUR R.F.P. PROCESS TO THE TERM SHEET PROCESS TO THE LEASE
25 PROCESS TO THE REGULATORY PROCESS. THERE ARE DOZENS OF PUBLIC



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1 HEARINGS ON EACH ONE OF THESE PROJECTS AND THIS ONE HAS BEEN
2 SUBJECTED TO MANY, MANY SO FAR.

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4 **GREG SCHEM:** ON, THIS IS NOT-- IT'S AN EXISTING PROJECT, NOT A
5 NEW DEVELOPMENT, STAN, SO IT'S ENTIRELY INCONSISTENT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE RECEIVED NUMEROUS LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM
10 THE SMALL BOATERS OF THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. IT'S A UNIQUE
11 CONCEPT. I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S STILL THE COASTAL
12 COMMISSION TO DEAL WITH AND THAT COULD DETERMINE THE FUTURE, I
13 MEAN, EITHER UP OR DOWN AND, OBVIOUSLY, IT COULD WIND UP BACK
14 IN OUR LAP AGAIN, TOO. SO MY FEELING IS THAT AT LEAST LET THEM
15 GET IT TO THEM TO LET THEM TAKE A LOOK AT IT AND UP OR DOWN
16 THEN WE GO FROM THERE. SO I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL SECOND IT, MR. CHAIRMAN.

19

20 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** EXCUSE ME, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY, YOUR TIME IS UP AND I'D
23 ASK YOU TO PLEASE...

24

25 **NANCY VERNON MARINO:** MR. SMITH GAVE YOU MISINFORMATION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TURN OFF HER MICROPHONE, PLEASE. I
3 DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO-- MS. BURKE, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT, WELL, I'D JUST LIKE TO BE VERY CLEAR
6 THAT, YOU KNOW, AS A BOATER AND SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN FOR THE
7 LAST, I THINK, 30 YEARS IN THE MARINA, A NEW CONCEPT IS REALLY
8 NEEDED. AND THE IDEA OF HAVING THE ABILITY FOR THE SMALL
9 BOATER TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THIS KIND OF A FACILITY WHERE YOU
10 HAVE STACKING-- AND I THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE COPIED IN MANY
11 OTHER AREAS. I UNDERSTAND THAT MANY OF THE VERY EXPENSIVE
12 MARINAS IN OTHER AREAS ARE LOOKING AT THIS.

13

14 **GREG SCHEM:** CORRECT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** BECAUSE DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENED? IS, UNLESS
17 YOU'RE ONE-- THERE-- MORE AND MORE BIG BOATS. AND THE FEES
18 THAT ARE CHARGED, NOT ONLY AT THIS MARINA BUT EVERYWHERE ELSE,
19 ARE JUST PROHIBITIVE FOR THE SMALL BOATER. AND TO HAVE AN
20 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE STORAGE, STACK STORAGE, I DON'T KNOW WHAT
21 YOU'D DO IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE SOME OF IT OVER THE WATER SO YOU
22 COULD LAUNCH. SO I REALLY BELIEVE THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE--
23 REALLY, THIS IS GOING TO MAKE A CHANGE IN TERMS OF THE
24 AVAILABILITY FOR FACILITIES, FOR THE SMALL BOATER, TO
25 ENCOURAGE MORE PEOPLE AND HAVE OPPORTUNITIES. I CAN UNDERSTAND



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1 HIS OPPOSITION, HIS CONCERN AND I'M AWARE OF YOUR FACILITY AND
2 AWARE OF ALL THE DYNAMICS AND ALL THE THINGS THAT HAVE GONE
3 PAST BUT SOMETIMES YOU DO HAVE TO HAVE PROGRESS AND I SEE THIS
4 AS FOR US TO MOVE FORWARD INTO A NEW APPROACH THAT IS PROBABLY
5 GOING TO BE REALLY COPIED BY MANY OTHER PLACES.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THERE'S A MOTION AND A
8 SECOND. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? CALL THE ROLL.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR--

23

24 **SPEAKER:** YOU CANNOT VOTE TWICE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE ALL THAT
2 SQUARE MILEAGE DOESN'T MEAN YOU GET TO VOTE TWICE.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. OKAY. MR. KNABE, YOU'RE STILL
15 UP.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, LET'S SEE. ITEM 21? YOU CAN PUT THE PICTURES
18 BACK UP.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** COULD WE MOVE THE PICTURES OVER A LITTLE BIT TO
21 THE RIGHT SO THAT THEY CAN BE SEEN BY THE AUDIENCE?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I HELD THAT, AS WELL. I KNOW SOME MEMBERS OF THE
24 PUBLIC ARE GOING TO ADDRESS IT AS WELL, TOO. THE ONLY THING
25 THAT I WOULD ASK IS THE POSSIBILITY OF AMENDING YOUR MOTION TO



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1 INCLUDE, AS FAR AS THE DISCUSSIONS FOR THE LONG-TERM, IS THE
2 RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION, CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION? I
3 THINK THAT WOULD BE VERY APPROPRIATE TO ADD THEM TO PART OF
4 THE DISCUSSION ON THIS?

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** ABSOLUTELY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** ON THE OUTCOME? AND I WOULD JUST AMEND IT TO
9 INCLUDE THE CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. COULD WE HAVE
12 SOMEONE FROM PUBLIC WORKS HERE, THOUGH?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT BEFORE THE
15 PUBLIC HEARING?

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD YOU RATHER HAVE PUBLIC HEARING FIRST?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S UP TO YOU.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT FIRST WE SHOULD HAVE OUR DEPARTMENT
22 HERE BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY-- WE THINK
23 THEY'RE DOING A GREAT JOB.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC WORKS? THERE'S THE GENERAL
2 MANAGER RIGHT THERE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO SAY TO THE
5 DEPARTMENT, WE RECOGNIZE THAT YOU'RE DOING A GREAT JOB BUT
6 THAT YOU HAVE A OVERWHELMING BURDEN AS A RESULT OF THIS. AND
7 I'D BE VERY INTERESTED IN EXACTLY HOW MUCH YOU'RE SPENDING NOW
8 ON PICKING UP WASTE, PARTICULARLY AS IT GOES INTO SOME OF OUR
9 MARINA AREAS AND OUR COASTLINE AREAS.

10

11 **DON WOLFE:** THE BIGGEST ISSUE THAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH,
12 SUPERVISOR, OF COURSE, IS COMPLIANCE WITH THE TRASH T.M.D.L.S
13 AND OVERALL COMPLIANCE WITH OUR N.P.D.S. PERMIT, WHICH COVERS
14 ALL POLLUTANTS INTO THE RECEIVING WATERS, BOTH THE RIVERS AND
15 THE OCEAN. CURRENTLY, COUNTYWIDE, THE COUNTY AND THE CITIES
16 ARE SPENDING ABOUT \$350 MILLION A YEAR ON THIS OVERALL EFFORT.
17 I'M NOT SURE HOW MUCH OF IT IS STRICTLY TRASH BUT THAT'S THE
18 ONE THAT'S OF LARGEST CONCERN, PRIMARILY, BECAUSE IT'S THE ONE
19 THAT'S VISIBLE, THE ONE THAT IMPACTS QUALITY OF LIFE MOST
20 IMMEDIATELY AT OUR BEACHES AND IN THE OTHER RECEIVING WATERS.
21 THE TRASH T.M.D.L.S ARE COSTING THE COUNTY ABOUT 15 MIL-- JUST
22 THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREA, I THINK WE'RE SPENDING ABOUT
23 \$15 MILLION A YEAR RIGHT NOW TRYING TO COMPLY WITH-- AND
24 PRIMARILY THAT'S FOCUSED ON DOING STRUCTURAL DEVICES TO
25 EXCLUDE TRASH FROM THE STORM DRAIN SYSTEM. SO IT IS QUITE



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1 EXPENSIVE. AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS ARE VERY SMALL A PART
2 OF THAT OVERALL EQUATION.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT YOU, I MEAN, YOUR BOOM IS DOING THE SAME THING
5 DOWN IN LONG BEACH, YOU KNOW, COLLECTING THIS AND IT STILL
6 GETS THROUGH TO THE AQUARIUM.

7

8 **DON WOLFE:** RIGHT. AND, ULTIMATELY...

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU KNOW, I'VE SEEN THE NUMBER THAT 150,000 TONS
11 OF STYROFOAM ARE RECYCLED EACH YEAR?

12

13 **DON WOLFE:** WELL, THE FLOATABLES AND THE TRASH THAT'S VERY
14 LIGHT THAT CAN BE PICKED UP BY THE WIND OUT OF OVERFULL TRASH
15 CANS OR JUST DROPPED ON THE STREET VERY QUICKLY WIND UP IN THE
16 STORM DRAIN SYSTEM. AND SO, IF YOU GO TO THE BEACH OR GO AND
17 LOOK AT OUR BOOMS, BOTH IN BIONA CREEK AND L.A. CREEK, YOU'LL
18 SEE THAT A VERY SIGNIFICANT PROPORTION OF THAT TRASH IS
19 STYROFOAM AND THE UNFORTUNATE PART ABOUT STYROFOAM THAT IT'S
20 BASICALLY WITH US FOREVER. ONCE IT GETS INTO THE OCEAN, IT CAN
21 LAST HUNDREDS OF YEARS BEFORE IT'S ASSIMILATED. SO IT DOES A
22 LOT OF DAMAGE NOT JUST TO US AS HUMANS AND THE AESTHETICS ON
23 THE BEACH BUT IT DOES A LOT OF DAMAGE TO THE WILDLIFE IN THE
24 OCEAN.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** MAYBE WE CAN HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC NOW. THANK YOU
2 VERY MUCH. WE MAY ASK TO CALL YOU BACK.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS, DON. STICK AROUND. SARAH
5 ABRAMSON? ANN BRADLEY AND SAMANTHA MARTINEZ? ALL THREE COME
6 DOWN, WE HAVE ROOM FOR YOU. ARE YOU MS. ABRAMSON?

7

8 **ANN BRADLEY:** I'M ANN BRADLEY. SUPERVISORS, FIRST, SUPERVISOR
9 MOLINA, SUPERVISOR BURKE, THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY
10 HEART, AND ALL OF YOU, FOR THIS INCREDIBLY VITAL MOTION. YOU
11 WILL HEAR EXPERTS WHO WILL UNREFUTABLY[SIC] GIVE YOU EVIDENCE
12 OF THE HARM OF STYROFOAM BUT ALL YOU HAVE TO DO RIGHT NOW, ALL
13 FIVE OF YOU, IS TAKE A WALK ON TEMPLE STREET. THERE, YOU'LL
14 SEE THE IMPACT OF STYROFOAM WASTE IN OUR GUTTERS, BUSHES,
15 WALKWAYS. THE DEADLIER DEVASTATION, AS WAS JUST POINTED OUT,
16 IS NOT IMMEDIATELY EVIDENT. THE EXPERTS HAVE SHOWN US THAT
17 STYROFOAM ULTIMATELY BECOMES A WHITE FILM ON THE FEATHERS OF
18 BIRDS AND ON OUR SEA LIFE. I'M ASKING FOR SOMETHING THAT YOU
19 MAY FIND KIND OF FUNNY BUT I'M MAKING THIS PLEA TO YOU VERY
20 SERIOUSLY BECAUSE IT CAN START ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR TODAY. WHAT
21 I'M ASKING YOU TO DO ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR THROUGHOUT 500 WEST
22 TEMPLE, 3333 WILSHIRE AND EVERY SINGLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT IS TO
23 STOP STYROFOAM, TO HAVE EMPLOYEES BRING THEIR OWN CUPS, LIKE
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS RIGHT NOW. THERE ARE 100,000, 600
25 HUNDRED AND-- THERE'S 100,640 BUDGETED COUNTY EMPLOYEES. NOW,



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1 THIS IS JUST SCRATCHING THE SURFACE BUT I'D LIKE YOU TO
2 CONSIDER THIS, IF THOSE 100,640 EMPLOYEES USE AND TOSS ONE
3 STYROFOAM CUP MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY EVERY YEAR, THEY ARE
4 TOSSING 26,166,400 STYROFOAM CUPS. AT A TYPICAL UNIT COST OF 5
5 CENTS, THAT'S \$1,308,320. AND, EVEN AT A LOWER COST, THE
6 IMPLICATION, AS YOUR INCREDIBLE STAFF WILL ALREADY TELL YOU,
7 IS DEVASTATING ON THIS COUNTY. NOW, YOU'RE GOING TO HEAR
8 OPPOSITION BY THE CALIFORNIA GROCERS AND RESTAURANT OWNERS AND
9 SMALL BUSINESSES. AND I WANT TO SAY TO YOU THAT THIS SHOWS AN
10 EGREGIOUS LACK OF ENLIGHTENED SELF-INTEREST BECAUSE EVEN IF WE
11 SUSPEND THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, AND CERTAINLY WE SHOULD
12 NOT, BUT EVEN IF WE SUSPEND THOSE, YOUR PUBLIC WORKS EXPERTS
13 ARE TELLING YOU THERE'S ALREADY AN INCREDIBLE BURDEN,
14 FINANCIAL BURDEN BECAUSE OF THAT STYROFOAM ON COUNTY WASTE
15 MANAGEMENT, YOU NAME IT. I'M ASKING YOU TO USE YOUR INCREDIBLE
16 LEADERSHIP TO URGE BUSINESS TO USE ITS CREATIVE CAPITAL TO
17 THINK OUTSIDE THE STYROFOAM BOX. SUPERVISORS, PEOPLE TOOK FOOD
18 OUT OF RESTAURANTS BEFORE THERE WAS STYROFOAM. THEY DRANK
19 BEVERAGES BEFORE THERE WAS STYROFOAM. BUT I AM BEGGING YOU, IT
20 CAN START RIGHT HERE TODAY. IT CAN START WITH GAYLE TURNY, IT
21 CAN START WITH ANGIE CASTRO, IT CAN START WITH JOEL BELLMAN,
22 WITH GLENDA WINA, WITH TONY BELL, WITH SANDRA HOOD EYE, WITH
23 JUDY HAMMOND...

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BRADLEY, YOUR TIME IS UP.



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2 **ANN BRADLEY:** YOU GOT IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU KNOW OUR STAFF NAMES VERY
5 WELL. BUT YOUR POINT IS VERY WELL TAKEN AND APPRECIATED.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'RE GOING TO START ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR AND ALSO
8 HERE.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WAS IT THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF EVERY
11 COUNTY BUILDING?

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** THIS ONE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST THIS EIGHTH FLOOR. HOW ABOUT
16 THOSE 12-STORY BUILDINGS? WE'RE ONLY GOING TO COVER THE EIGHTH
17 FLOOR? JUST JOKING. ARE YOU MS. ABRAMSON?

18

19 **SAMANTHA MARTINEZ:** SAMANTHA MARTINEZ.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE SAMANTHA MARTINEZ. OKAY. IS
22 MS. ABRAMSON HERE? IF NOT, SAMANTHA, YOU'RE ON.

23

24 **SAMANTHA MARTINEZ:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK.
25 MY NAME IS SAMANTHA MARTINEZ AND I REPRESENT THE PLASTIC FOOD



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1 SERVICE PACKAGING GROUP AND WE APPLAUD SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR
2 THIS MOTION AND THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS MOTION. WE, TOO, WANT
3 TO REDUCE LITTER AND WE WANT TO IDENTIFY ENVIRONMENTALLY
4 FRIENDLY PACKAGING AND WE HOPE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY ON THIS
5 EFFORT. WE BELIEVE, THOUGH, THAT BANNING POLYSTYRENE IS NOT
6 THE ANSWER. WE THINK A BAN WON'T REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF LITTER
7 BUT WILL CHANGE THE MATERIAL THAT IS IN THE LITTER AND THAT'S
8 BEING LITTERED TO OTHER MATERIALS THAT ALSO HAVE THEIR OWN
9 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. A BAN WILL NOT REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF
10 FOOD SERVICE IN THE WASTE STREAM OR IN THE LANDFILLS, AS THERE
11 ARE CURRENTLY NO MUNICIPAL RECYCLING PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE AWARE
12 OF THAT ACCEPT CONTAMINATED FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING, INCLUDING
13 THE PAPERBOARD LIKE THE COFFEE CUPS OR PLASTIC, AND THERE'S
14 NOT THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO COLLECT AND COMPOST THE
15 BIODEGRADABLE PRODUCTS THAT ARE JUST STARTING TO COME ON THE
16 MARKET. WE BELIEVE BANNING POLYSTYRENE WILL NOT INCREASE
17 RECYCLING OF FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING AND WILL NOT REDUCE THE
18 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF MAKING FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING. IN
19 FACT, IT MIGHT INCREASE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF MAKING
20 FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING. LIFECYCLE STUDIES COMPARING THE ENERGY
21 USE, THE AIR EMISSIONS, GREENHOUSE GAS, WATER POLLUTION AND
22 SOLID WASTE IMPACTS FOR PRODUCING EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE WHEN
23 COMPARING BETWEEN POLYSTYRENE AND PAPERBOARD SHOW THAT
24 EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE HAS LESS OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.
25 ADDITIONALLY, ALTERNATIVES LIKE BIODEGRADABLE PACKAGING ARE



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1 VERY IMPACTFUL ON THE ENVIRONMENT TO PRODUCE AND WILL LIKELY
2 REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE BUILT, SUCH AS AN
3 INDUSTRIAL COMPOST FACILITY. SO, WITHOUT SUCH ENVIRONMENTAL
4 BENEFITS, A BAN WILL RAISE THE COST TO THE COUNTY AND TO
5 BUSINESSES AT LEAST THREE TIMES OR MORE AND CAUSE THEM TO USE
6 SOME PRODUCTS THAT OFTEN CAN BE INFERIOR AND, IN SOME CASES,
7 YOU NEED TO DOUBLE CUP OR PUT A WRAP AROUND A CUP SO AS TO NOT
8 BURN YOUR HAND OR HAVE THE PRODUCTS LEAK. NOT ONLY WILL THE
9 COST INCREASE TO PURCHASE THE PRODUCTS BUT, BASED ON THE
10 INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD NUMBERS, WHICH I CAN PASS
11 OUT TO STAFF, WE BELIEVE THAT THE COST TO HANDLE ALTERNATIVES
12 SUCH AS COMPOST PRODUCTS WILL GO UP ANYWHERE FOR THE COUNTY
13 FROM 5 MILLION TO \$28 MILLION A YEAR. OVER THE LAST TWO WEEKS,
14 THE PLASTIC FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING HAS HEARD FROM OVER 200
15 RESTAURANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE L.A. COUNTY WITH CONCERNS
16 ABOUT A.B.-820 AND 904, WHICH ARE ALSO BANS ON FOAMS. WE WOULD
17 LIKE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY ON SOLUTIONS, INCLUDING
18 COORDINATED ANTI-LITTER AND RECYCLING PROGRAMS. IT'S NOT ABOUT
19 THE MATERIAL. IT'S ABOUT THE BEHAVIOR, THE BEHAVIOR OF
20 LITTERING OR NOT BEING ABLE TO RECYCLE. WE'RE VERY SUPPORTIVE
21 OF THE RECENT ADOPTION OF KEEP L.A. BEAUTIFUL IN THE CITY OF
22 L.A. AS AN OVERALL ANTI-LITTER PROGRAM AND WOULD LIKE TO HELP
23 EXPAND KEEP L.A. BEAUTIFUL TO THE COUNTY. THERE ARE ALSO
24 SEVERAL INNOVATIVE COMPANIES WHO REUSE AND RECYCLE EXPANDED
25 POLYSTYRENE AND ARE WORKING WITH THE CITIES RIGHT NOW TO



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1 COLLECT THESE COMMODITIES. IN FACT, THE CITY OF L.A. IS ADDING
2 ALL PLASTIC, INCLUDING POLYSTYRENE, TO THE BLUE BIN PROGRAM
3 THIS SUMMER. THIS IS A VERY EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO TURN WASTE
4 INTO NEW PRODUCTS, INCLUDING GREEN BUILDING MATERIALS,
5 AGRICULTURAL MATERIALS AND FURNITURE. IN CLOSING, THE PLASTIC
6 FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING GROUP RECOGNIZES THAT OUR PRODUCTS ARE
7 PART OF THE LITTER AND WASTE STREAM AND WE WANT TO BE PART OF
8 THE SOLUTION. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS PROBLEM AND
9 WE HOPE YOU RECOGNIZE, AS WE BELIEVE, THAT THIS IS A COMPLEX
10 ISSUE AND THERE ARE NO EASY ANSWERS BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO WORK
11 WITH THE COUNTY ON SOLUTIONS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MS. MARTINEZ.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** AND WE WOULD WELCOME-- I KNOW THE DEPARTMENT WOULD
16 WELCOME WORKING WITH YOU AND WORKING WITH THE INDUSTRY BECAUSE
17 THE WHOLE APPROACH, THE REASON WHY THERE WILL BE THIS STUDY IS
18 TO DETERMINE WHAT IMPACTS, WHAT ALTERNATIVES THERE ARE AND HOW
19 WE SHOULD PROCEED. AND WE WOULD WANT TO WORK WITH THE INDUSTRY
20 TO TRY TO ARRIVE AT SOMETHING THAT HAS THE MINIMUM IMPACT IN
21 TERMS OF YOUR INDUSTRY AND ALSO A MAJOR IMPACT ON WHAT WE SEE
22 THERE.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE PICTURES THAT YOU SEE HERE OF BALLONA CREEK
2 AND THEY ARE NOT AN ART PIECE, EVEN THOUGH THEY MAY LOOK LIKE
3 ONE. THIS IS UNBELIEVABLE, THE TRASH THAT WE'RE DOING EVERY
4 DAY. THIS MORNING, AS I HAD MY BREAKFAST BURRITO FROM THE
5 COUNTY CAFETERIA, I GOT MY CONTAINER AND SO REFORM HAS TO
6 START AT HOME. AND SO WE NEED TO UNDERTAKE THIS. AND PROBABLY
7 IS A GOOD START FOR ALL OF US TO CLEAR OUT ALL OF OUR OFFICES
8 ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF ANY POLYSTYRENE, ANY STYROFOAM THAT WE
9 HAVE AS FAR AS OUR COFFEE CUPS AND OTHER KINDS OF THINGS. SO
10 THIS MOTION BASICALLY HAS A BEGINNING. WE'RE ASKING OUR PUBLIC
11 WORKS PEOPLE TO LOOK AT HOW WE INSTITUTE A PROHIBITION.
12 THERE'S NO DOUBT WE WOULD ONLY BEGIN WITH OUR COUNTY
13 FACILITIES INITIALLY. IT'LL BE TOUGH FOR MANY OF OUR VENDORS
14 AS TO HOW TO INCORPORATE IT BUT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO SET THE
15 KIND OF STANDARD THAT WE NEED TO. WE ARE A VERY, VERY LARGE
16 VENDOR FOR MANY OF THESE COMPANIES AND SO CONSEQUENTLY IT
17 MIGHT CREATE SOME CONSISTENCY ALONG THE LINES. SO WE ARE PROUD
18 OF THAT. IN ADDITION, WE SHOULD INCORPORATE AS MANY PEOPLE AS
19 POSSIBLE. IN LISTENING TO THE SANTA MONICA CHAMBER OF
20 COMMERCE, THEY SENT US A LETTER AND THEY SAID THAT SANTA
21 MONICA HAS MOVED IN THIS DIRECTION. IT DID INCORPORATE THEM.
22 AND IT HAS PROVISIONS IN WHICH THERE WAS A WHOLE YEAR OF
23 IMPLEMENTATION AND THEN THERE'S CERTAIN EXEMPT POLICIES. BUT
24 WE NEED TO WORK WITH THE CHAMBERS ALONG THE WAY, I THINK THE
25 GROCERS' ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS WE CAN. WHAT WE CAN'T WORK



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1 WITH IS PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO STOP US FROM EVEN MOVING
2 FORWARD. WE NEED TO FIND THOSE WAYS THAT WE CAN START THE
3 CAMPAIGN TO ELIMINATE THIS FROM OUR TRASH, TO ELIMINATE IT
4 FROM OUR WATERWAYS, FROM OUR PARKS AND FROM EVERY SINGLE
5 FACILITY BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO OUTLIVE ME FOR SURE AND IT
6 MAY OUTLIVE EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM TODAY AND SO, CONSEQUENTLY,
7 WE'VE GOT TO GET STARTED. SO WE'RE MOVING FORWARD THIS MOTION.
8 I THINK THAT, IF WE INCORPORATE, AS DON SAID, THE GROCERS AND
9 ANYONE ELSE, IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** GROCERS AND THE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS TO FIND A WAY. I KNOW IT IS CONVENIENT BECAUSE
14 IT'S ALREADY DONE. IT'S SUPPOSEDLY INEXPENSIVE AND IT DOES
15 KEEP THINGS WARM BUT THE COMPROMISE IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE
16 MADE BY ALL OF US. AND SO, HOPEFULLY, WE CAN FIND A WAY TO GET
17 IT STARTED. BUT I DO HOPE THAT WE CAN COME BACK AS QUICKLY AS
18 POSSIBLE WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF WHAT WOULD BE A GOOD-- WHEN
19 COULD WE START THE PROHIBITION? EVEN THOUGH IT WOULD START ON
20 OUR END, AT LEAST WHEN WOULD BE A GOOD TIME? HOW WOULD WE
21 IMPLEMENT IT? HOW ARE WE GOING TO TAKE THAT OUT? I'M LOOKING
22 FORWARD TO YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON THAT. I'M ALSO LOOKING
23 FORWARD TO IF, IN FACT, THERE HAS TO BE A WAIVER. IF ANY, WHAT
24 ARE THEY? UNDER WHAT INSTANCE? HOW WOULD WE IMPLEMENT THAT?
25 AND THAT WOULD BE THE CASE. AND THEN THE OTHER IS, AS WE HAVE



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1 A LOT OF FOLKS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN HOW WE WOULD CARRY THIS
2 OUT, WE NEED TO DO OUTREACH. THERE ARE NEW IDEAS OUT THERE ALL
3 THE TIME. THERE ARE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTING IT. IT
4 IS PART OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY. WE'RE ONE OF THE LARGEST
5 EMPLOYERS AND THE LARGEST VENDOR AND SO THIS IS OUR TASK, TO
6 REMOVE THIS FROM THE COUNTY AND SO REFORM STARTS AT HOME. AND
7 I'M PROUD OF THIS MOTION. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING VERY
8 POSITIVE RESPONSES AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AS TO HOW WE
9 IMPLEMENT IT BUT PLEASE INCLUDE EVERYBODY. AND IF YOU FIND
10 PEOPLE THAT ARE SAYING, ABSOLUTELY NOT, TELL THEM THAT THEY
11 HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE TABLE AND FIND A WAY HOW THEY'RE
12 GOING TO DO IT. NOT THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO DO IT AND THAT
13 THEY CAN'T DO IT AND THAT IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE TO DO BUT TO TELL
14 US HOW THEY'RE GOING TO DO IT. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING
15 FROM YOU AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AS TO WHEN WE'RE GOING TO GET
16 A RESPONSE.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

19
20 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D JUST LIKE TO ADD THAT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S
21 GOING TO BE VERY IMPORTANT IS FOR US TO WORK WITH THE STATE TO
22 SUPPORT SOME OF THOSE MEASURES THAT ARE GOING THROUGH THE
23 STATE LEGISLATURE AND TO COORDINATE OUR EFFORT. AND, OF
24 COURSE, WE WANT TO COORDINATE WITH THE CITY AND THE
25 SURROUNDING CITIES FROM OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS. BUT THIS IS



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1 SOMETHING WE HAVE TO DO. WE HAVE TO PAY NOW OR PAY LATER. AND
2 EVERY COUNTY EMPLOYEES, GET YOUR CUP. I'LL SECOND THE MOTION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? IF NOT,
5 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON MS. MOLINA'S MOTION, SECONDED BY MS. BURKE.
6 AS AMENDED. NEXT ITEM. MR. KNABE? YOU'RE STILL UP.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S ALL I HELD, THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, MR. ANTONOVICH?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOME ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'D
13 LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SYLVIA VUKOYE, WIFE OF FORMER
14 COUNTY ENGINEER, STAN VUKOYE, WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST MONTH.
15 HER HUSBAND PASSED AWAY IN SEPTEMBER OF 2004. ROLAND DRAGON,
16 WHO WAS THE BROTHER TO CARMEN DRAGON, THE FORMER DIRECTOR OF
17 THE GLENDALE SYMPHONY. HE HAD ONCE WORKED FOR SOUTHERN PACIFIC
18 RAILROAD. IN WORLD WAR II, HE PLAYED A VERY MAJOR ROLE IN THE
19 CAPTURE OF NAZI TROOPS AND RECEIVED A MEDAL FOR THAT. HE
20 SERVED FOR TWO YEARS WITH WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST AND
21 ESTABLISHED THE DRAGON DEPOSITION SERVICE WHICH HE MANAGED FOR
22 40 YEARS. HE PLAYED THE BASS FIDDLE IN THE GLENDALE SYMPHONY.
23 HE PLAYED AT THE MUSIC CENTER. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
24 VIRGINIA. VICTOR JOHN PAMKOWSKI, EXECUTIVE, BANKING INDUSTRY.
25 WORKED WITH THE CREDIT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN PALMDALE. A KOREAN



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1 WAR VETERAN WHERE HE RECEIVED-- AND A GRADUATE OF CORNELL
2 UNIVERSITY, ACTIVE IN THE LANCASTER ELKS, VICE-PRESIDENT OF
3 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY Y.M.C.A. JOHN STEVENSON GRIFFITH, WHO
4 WAS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF FAR WEST FINANCIAL
5 CORPORATION AND THE MUTUAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION FROM
6 1968 THROUGH '75. AND CHERYL A. YEOWELL, WHO WAS A FAMILY LAW
7 ATTORNEY AND WAS THE FIRST WOMAN PRESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE
8 VALLEY BAR ASSOCIATION. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN FOR NEXT WEEK, I WOULD MOVE THAT THE
13 BOARD DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
14 RECREATION TO WAIVE THE PARKING FEE OF \$8 FOR 60 VEHICLES FOR
15 THE ANNUAL PICNIC HOSTED BY THE ARMENIAN _____ PENTECOSTAL
16 CHURCH AT BONELLI REGIONAL PARK. AND FOR NEXT WEEK, PUBLIC
17 ASSISTANCE FRAUD IS A TRAGIC BYPRODUCT OF WELL-INTENTIONED
18 PROGRAMS WHICH SUPPORT OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS ON THE ROAD TO
19 SELF-SUFFICIENCY. THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL
20 SERVICES, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE OFFICES OF THE DISTRICT
21 ATTORNEY AND AUDITOR CONTROLLER, MAINTAINS A STRONG FRAUD
22 IDENTIFICATION PREVENTION INVESTIGATION PROGRAM. IN 2006,
23 D.P.S. INVESTIGATED OVER 39,000 FRAUD REFERRALS, WHICH SAVED
24 \$55 MILLION. ADDITIONALLY, ON MARCH 21ST, THE BOARD APPROVED A
25 MOTION TO DEVELOP A INTERAGENCY DATA WAREHOUSE WHICH D.P.S.S.



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1 WILL BEGIN IMPLEMENTING IN JULY. YET THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
2 PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AVENUES THROUGH WHICH THE SAME FAMILY MAY
3 RECEIVE BENEFITS AND THE POTENTIAL FOR FRAUD ARE THERE. IN
4 FACT, NOT THAT LONG AGO, A PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS-- NOT
5 ALL OF THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS ARE INVESTIGATED BY THE
6 SAME AGENCIES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE STATE INVESTIGATES FRAUD IN
7 THE COUNTY ADMINISTERED MEDI-CAL AND IN- HOME SUPPORTIVE
8 SERVICES, WHEREAS THE COUNTY INVESTIGATES FRAUD IN THE COUNTY-
9 ADMINISTERED CHILDCARE, WELFARE, AND FOOD STAMP PROGRAMS.
10 OFTEN THE COUNTY AGENCIES THAT ADMINISTER PUBLIC ASSISTANCE
11 PROGRAMS TO THE SAME FAMILY DO NOT HAVE ADEQUATE AWARENESS
12 ABOUT EACH OTHER'S PROGRAMS. ONE EXAMPLE IS IN THE CHILDCARE
13 PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED THROUGH THE D.P.S.S. AND THE CHILDREN
14 AND FAMILY SERVICES. OVER 4,000 CHILDREN UNDER D.C.F.S. WHO
15 ARE IN THE HOMES OF THEIR BIRTH PARENTS OR PLACED WITH
16 RELATIVES WHO RECEIVED \$13 MILLION IN CHILDCARE SUBSIDIES FROM
17 THE STATE. ALTHOUGH COUNTY EFFORTS ARE WELL UNDER WAY TO
18 ADDRESS FRAUD IN STAGE 1, CHILDCARE FOR WELFARE FAMILIES, MORE
19 COLLABORATIVE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS FOR THE CHILDCARE
20 PROGRAMS THAT D.P.S.S. AND D.C.F.S. ADMINISTER RESPECTIVELY
21 WOULD MAXIMIZE THE USE OF CHILDCARE DOLLARS AND POTENTIALLY
22 LIMIT FRAUD. PROGRAMS MAY YIELD ADDITIONAL METHODS TO DETECT
23 AND PREVENT FRAUD WHICH IS ROBBING TAX DOLLARS THAT FUND VITAL
24 SERVICES. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE C.A.O. REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS
25 ON THE FEASIBILITY OF INCORPORATING DATA MINING TECHNOLOGY



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1 INTO THE D.P.S.S. DATA WAREHOUSE TO TARGET FRAUD IN ALL PUBLIC
2 ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, PROVIDING FRAUD DETECTION PREVENTION
3 TRAINING TO COUNTY AGENCY STAFF, ADMINISTER PUBLIC ASSISTANCE
4 PROGRAMS, ENSURING THAT COUNTY AGENCY STAFF ARE AWARE OF AND
5 KNOW HOW TO ACCESS THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO REPORT SUSPECTED
6 FRAUD SUCH AS "WE TIP", THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S FRAUD HOTLINE
7 AND D.P.S.S. CENTRAL FRAUD REPORTING AND THAT WOULD BE FOR
8 NEXT WEEK.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. FOR NEXT WEEK.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. ITEM 24.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID IT.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 23, I'M SORRY.

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18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** COULD WE DO, MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, 25, THE
19 MENTAL HEALTH, WHILE WE SET UP A POWERPOINT?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT ALL RIGHT?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S OKAY.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S TAKE UP 25. SUPERVISOR
2 MOLINA HELD THAT ITEM. MENTAL HEALTH.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HELD THAT ITEM BECAUSE IT IS, AGAIN. "A
5 RETROACTIVE CONTRACT". IT SEEMS NEVER ENDING AND IT'S A
6 CONSTANT BATTLE THAT I'VE HAD. AND NOW WHAT IS THIS ONE
7 CALLED? IT'S CALLED A PURCHASE ORDER SO "IT'S NOT A
8 RETROACTIVE CONTRACT". IT SOMEHOW WASN'T INCLUDED IN THE
9 LANGUAGE IN THE PAST. BUT THE REALITY IS, THESE ARE
10 RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS. THESE ARE ARRANGEMENTS THAT ARE MADE
11 BEFOREHAND THAT LEAVES US NO CHOICE BUT TO PAY IT WHEN IT GETS
12 TO US AFTER THE FACT. AND SO, VERY FRANKLY, I'M SICK AND TIRED
13 OF IT AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT I CAN DO OTHER THAN TELL THE
14 C.A.O. TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT BUT HE'S BUSY TRYING TO FIGURE
15 OUT HIS NEW GADGET.

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17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'M LISTENING. I HEARD YOU LOUD AND CLEAR.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AM I GOING TO HAVE A POWERPOINT ON THIS?

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21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DIDN'T THINK SO. IS THAT WHY YOU WERE RUSHING
24 TO GET IT OVER WITH?

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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE WERE JUST SETTING UP FOR THE NEXT ITEM.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, I UNDERSTAND. MY CONCERN IS THAT I DON'T
4 KNOW WHAT I NEED TO DO, DAVID. I THOUGHT IF I HAD AMNESTY AND
5 I SAID, "EVERY DEPARTMENT HEAD THROW IN ALL OF YOUR
6 RETROACTIVE CONTRACTS" BUT THE PROBLEM IS, AFTER WE MET WITH
7 THE AUDITORS, THEY DON'T SEEM TO KNOW THEY EVEN HAVE THEM.
8 THAT'S PRETTY-- AND THESE, AGAIN, ARE MONIES THAT WE'RE PAYING
9 OUT THAT ARE NEVER APPROVED BY ANY OF US AND THAT IS
10 INAPPROPRIATE. SO I'M INTRODUCING ANOTHER MOTION. AND
11 HOPEFULLY AT THIS POINT IN TIME WE'RE GOING TO GET AT IT. I'M
12 ASKING NOW THE C.A.O., THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER AND I.S.D.
13 CONDUCT A RISK ASSESSMENT WITHIN 60 DAYS THAT IDENTIFIES THOSE
14 DEPARTMENTS VULNERABLE TO RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS, TO REVIEW
15 THOSE DEPARTMENT'S PURCHASING STRUCTURES AND TO MAKE
16 RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO HOW THEY CAN IMPROVE THEIR OWN PAYMENT
17 PERFORMANCE. THE C.A.O. IS GOING TO BE CHARGED WITH WORKING
18 WITH THESE DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT APPROPRIATE
19 RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN 120 DAYS. AND
20 THEY'RE GOING TO INSTRUCT EVERY SINGLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT AND
21 COMMISSION TO SUBMIT TO THE C.A.O. WITH 60 DAYS A LIST OF
22 THOSE OUTSTANDING CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER PAYMENTS THAT ARE
23 GOING TO REQUIRE RETROACTIVE APPROVAL BY THE BOARD. THEY'RE
24 GOING TO DIRECT THE C.A.O., IN COLLABORATION WITH THE AUDITOR
25 CONTROLLER AND I.S.D., TO REVIEW ALL THESE REQUESTS FOR



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1 RETROACTIVE CONTRACTS AND PURCHASE ORDER PAYMENTS BEFORE THEY
2 ARE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD. THEY HAVE TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT
3 HEADS AND THE BOARD OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO THE
4 VIOLATION, AND I DO MEAN VIOLATION, OF THE ESTABLISHED
5 PROCEDURES AND RECOMMEND A CORRECTIVE ACTION ALONG WITH A BEST
6 PRACTICE. AND WHEN THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN, WE'LL JUST HANG THE
7 C.A.O. OUT IN FRONT OF OUR COUNTY HALL, HOW IS THAT?

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT SOUNDS FAIR TO ME.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THE NEXT PRESENTATION THAT
12 THE C.A.O. IS VERY ANXIOUS TO GET TO IS THE NEW TURNOVER OF
13 RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE C.A.O. SO I NEED YOU TO KNOW THAT,
14 FROM NOW ON, YOU'RE GOING TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR RETROACTIVE
15 PAYMENTS. SO, BEFORE THE CLOSE OF EACH FISCAL YEAR AND PRIOR
16 TO THE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL COUNTY BUDGET, THE C.A.O. IS
17 GOING TO PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE BOARD OF ALL RETROACTIVE
18 PAYMENTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD FOR EACH DEPARTMENT AND ALL
19 PENDING RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS FOR EACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT. WHY?
20 WE MIGHT WANT TO MAKE A DECISION THAT WE DON'T WANT TO FUND
21 THAT DEPARTMENT AT A CERTAIN LEVEL UNTIL THEY GET THEIR ACT
22 TOGETHER. WE'VE GOT TO STOP IT. IT'S BAD PRACTICE. IT
23 CONTINUES TO HAPPEN HERE. AND I AM AT WIT'S END TO FIGURE OUT
24 A PROCESS. THERE IS NO REASON THAT ANYONE SHOULD BE SUBMITTING
25 RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS. AND, IF THEY DO SO, THEY SHOULD COME



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1 CRAWLING IN ON THEIR HANDS AND KNEES FROM OUTSIDE SOMEWHERE IN
2 ORDER TO DO IT. IT JUST ISN'T APPROPRIATE. SO HOPEFULLY THIS
3 IS GOING TO BE THE FINAL MOTION THAT WE'LL BE MAKING IN THAT
4 REGARD. SO I ASK FOR YOUR APPROVAL.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE A SECOND? I'LL
7 SECOND IT. MR. KNABE SECONDS IT.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO I'D LIKE TO SUPPORT THE MOTION BUT I'D LIKE TO
10 OPPOSE THE RETROACTIVE PAYMENT.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU WANT TO WHAT?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WANT TO OPPOSE THE RETROACTIVE PAYMENT.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL DIVIDE THE
17 QUESTION. SO LET'S TAKE A VOTE ON THE MOTION. IS THERE
18 OBJECTION TO THE MOTION? IF NOT, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THE MOTION.
19 OTHER THAN MS. MOLINA, IS THERE ANYBODY OBJECTING TO THE
20 PAYMENT? IF NOT, REPORT A 4-1 VOTE, MOLINA THE "NO" VOTE. THAT
21 TAKES CARE OF ITEM 25. MR. ANTONOVICH, YOU'RE UP?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 23. FIRST, LET ME READ A LETTER FROM MEL
24 WILSON, WHO WANTED TO BE HERE TODAY BUT IS UNABLE TO BE HERE.
25 MEL WAS MY APPOINTEE TO THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY



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1 COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION. DEAR BOARD MEMBERS, THERE ARE
2 LETTERS FOR EACH OF YOU, AS WELL. "DUE TO A CONFLICTING
3 SCHEDULE, I'M UNABLE TO PERSONALLY ATTEND THE BOARD MEETING
4 THIS MORNING. AS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT
5 AUTHORITY FOR FOUR YEARS, I'VE HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING
6 SIDE BY SIDE WITH YOU ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF THE GREAT
7 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I HAVE GRAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE NEW
8 COUNTY ORDINANCE WHICH WOULD DELEGATE CRITICAL AUTHORITY FROM
9 YOU, THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 CITIZENS. AT A TIME WHEN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE BEGGING FOR
11 ACCOUNTABILITY FROM THEIR ELECTED OFFICE HOLDERS, THIS POLICY
12 AND PROCEDURAL CHANGE WOULD TAKE AWAY AUTHORITY VESTED IN YOU.
13 UP UNTIL NOW, THE BOARD HAS HAD POWERS TO APPOINT ALL
14 DEPARTMENT HEADS OTHER THAN THE ASSESSOR, DISTRICT ATTORNEY
15 AND SHERIFF, WHICH ARE ELECTED POSITIONS. AS A GOVERNING BODY
16 FOR A COUNTY OF \$10 MILLION PEOPLE, 10 PERCENT OF WHICH LIVE
17 THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THE BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
18 PROVIDING ALL THE ESSENTIAL MUNICIPAL SERVICES FOR THE
19 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. UNLIKE THE 88 INCORPORATED CITIES OF THE
20 COUNTY, THE RESIDENTS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS HAVE HAD NO
21 RECOURSE BUT TO PETITION YOU, THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT
22 REPRESENTATIVES. ALTHOUGH WELL-INTENTIONED, I FEAR THAT THE
23 NEW COUNTY ORDINANCE TAKING AWAY DIRECT OVERSIGHT FROM ELECTED
24 BOARD TO A NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE WOULD CREATE ANOTHER
25 LAYER OF GOVERNMENT THAT WOULD REDUCE THE RESPONSIVENESS OF



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1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO ITS CITIZENS. TYPICALLY,
2 IT'S THE PERSONNEL AND RESPONSIBILITIES CLAUSE THAT PROHIBITS
3 THE BOARD FROM INSTRUCTING OR DIRECTING DEPARTMENT HEADS. I'M
4 CONCERNED ABOUT WHO WILL BE THE ADVOCATE FOR OVER 1 MILLION
5 RESIDENTS IF THE ELECTED OFFICE HOLDERS ARE UNABLE TO BRING
6 PRESSURE TO BEAR ON NONRESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRATS. I
7 BELIEVE THAT THE CRITICAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE CITIZENS OF
8 THIS GREAT COUNTY WILL BE SEVERELY HAMPERED BY ADDING ANOTHER
9 LAYER OF BUREAUCRACY. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO RECONSIDER THE CHANGE
10 IN POLICY AND, AT THE MINIMUM, DELAY IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS
11 ORDINANCE UNTIL FAIL SAFE ASSURANCES HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE TO
12 AVOID AN INTERRUPTION IN ESSENTIAL SERVICES." RESPECTFULLY
13 SUBMITTED BY MEL WILSON. AND THERE ARE ALSO SOME PEOPLE WHO
14 WANT TO TESTIFY RIGHT NOW. PERHAPS THEY SHOULD HAVE THE
15 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN SITTING PATIENTLY IN
16 THE AUDIENCE FOR THE LAST FOUR HOURS. LET'S HEAR FROM THE
17 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN SITTING HERE.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. BECAUSE OF THE VOLUME
20 OF PEOPLE WE HAVE, WE'LL LIMIT IT TO TWO MINUTES EACH. I'M
21 GOING TO CALL ON PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT HERE EVERY WEEK FIRST.
22 BLAINE MEEK, THOMAS FLORES, MICHAEL CHEUNG. AND MICHAEL
23 TRIVICH. BLAINE MEEK? NOT HERE? THOMAS FLORES.



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1 **THOMAS FLORES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. MY
2 QUESTION IS, IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, WHY FIX IT? IT IS MY
3 UNDERSTANDING THAT THE VOTERS HAVE ELECTED AND EMPOWERED THE
4 BOARD TO BE PUBLIC SERVANTS AND TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ALL
5 RESIDENTS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. UNDER THE EXISTING COUNTY
6 CHAPTER, THERE IS A COUNTY STRUCTURE THAT PROVIDES A SYSTEM
7 THAT IS-- THAT THE SUPERVISORS ALREADY UTILIZE THE BEST SERVE
8 THE CONSTITUENTS. FROM A MACRO PERSPECTIVE, THE BOARDS OVERSEE
9 AND HIRE DEPARTMENT HEADS, THE C.A.O. AUTHORIZED TO ASSIST
10 SUPERVISORS BY DIRECTING DEPARTMENT HEADS AND MAKING
11 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD. BUDGETARY, INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL
12 OPERATION ANALYSES ARE IMPLEMENTED TO MAKE SURE AGENCIES ARE
13 OPERATING EFFECTIVELY. THE SUPERVISORS DISCUSS ISSUES WITH
14 DEPARTMENT HEADS IN A PUBLIC SETTING TO RESOLVE ISSUES SO THAT
15 THE AGENCIES CAN BE FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE, EFFECTIVELY
16 ORGANIZED AND PROVIDE AN EXCEPTIONAL WORKFORCE WITH EXCELLENT
17 SERVICE. ARE WE NOT IMPLEMENTING THE FOUR STRATEGIC
18 ORGANIZATIONAL GOALS BEING PROPOSED? IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, WHY
19 FIX IT? FROM A MICRO POINT OF VIEW, IF WE CAN PLAY SEMANTICS,
20 WE CAN CALL IT A CLUSTER PERSPECTIVE. THE SUPERVISORS AND
21 THEIR STAFF ALREADY KNOW THE PROCEDURES TO BEST SERVE THE
22 CONSTITUENTS. TOWN HALL MEETINGS AND PUBLIC FORUMS ARE
23 UTILIZED TO SHARE INFORMATION OR OBTAIN FEEDBACK AND INPUT
24 FROM CONSTITUENTS SO THAT AGENCIES MAY OPTIMIZE THEIR
25 RESOURCES AND IMPROVE COMMUNICATION. IF THE CONSTITUENTS HAVE



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1 CONCERNS, THEY CALL THEIR LOCAL SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE. BOARD
2 DEPUTIES AND STAFF RECEIVE THEIR INFORMATION AND CONTACT
3 PROPER DEPARTMENT OR DEPARTMENTS, DEPENDING UPON THE
4 SITUATION. INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION AND COLLABORATION
5 IS IMPLEMENTED TO OPTIMIZE AND INTEGRATE COUNTY RESOURCES TO
6 ENSURE QUALITY CERTAINTY. DEPENDING UPON THE PARTICULAR NEEDS,
7 CONSTITUENTS ARE DIRECTED TO CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,
8 HEALTH AND MENTAL SERVICES, COMMUNITY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES
9 AND/OR PUBLIC SAFETY. ARE WE NOT ALREADY IMPLEMENTING THE FOUR
10 STRATEGIC PROGRAM GOALS BE PROPOSED? IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, WHY
11 FIX IT?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MICHAEL CHEUNG?
14 AND HANG ON ONE SECOND, MR. CHEUNG. I WANT TO CALL IN TWO
15 OTHER PEOPLE. KAREN OCAMB AND CHIN-HO LLAO. THERE'LL BE TWO
16 SEATS HERE FOR YOU. MR. CHEUNG?

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18 **MICHAEL CHEUNG:** MY NAME IS MICHAEL CHEUNG. I AM THE PRESIDENT
19 OF CHINESE CONSOLIDATED BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN
20 CALIFORNIA, THE LARGEST CHINESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
21 IN SOUTHLAND. ON BEHALF OF THIS ORGANIZATION, WE ARE DEEPLY
22 CONCERNED ABOUT THE ISSUE OF L.A. COUNTY C.E.O.'S NEW JOB
23 DESCRIPTION. THE C.E.O.'S JOB IS TO CARRY OUT AND IMPLEMENT
24 ALL THE ELECTED COUNTY SUPERVISORS' POLICIES AND PROGRAMS. IF
25 YOU VOTE FOR THIS PROPOSAL, IT WILL CREATE A NEW LAYER OF



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1 OFFICES. THE PROPOSAL WOULD COST MILLIONS IN TAX DOLLARS TO
2 IMPLEMENT AND DOES NOT GUARANTEE RESULTS. THE REASON WHY THE
3 COUNTY SUPERVISORS ARE ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE IS BECAUSE THEY
4 ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PEOPLE. THE SUPERVISORS MAKE POLICIES
5 FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE C.E.O. CARRIES OUT THE POLICY. THE
6 PROPOSAL CHANGES THAT RELATIONSHIP, THUS CREATING A WALL
7 BETWEEN THE PEOPLE AND THEIR GOVERNMENT. THAT'S WHY WE MUST
8 OPPOSE THIS PLAN TO TAKE POWER FROM THE PEOPLE AND TO PUT IT
9 IN THE HANDS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PEOPLE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. CHEUNG. MR.
12 TRIVICH, YOU WILL BE NEXT. LET ME CALL ON PETER IS IT BYLSMA?
13 IS HE HERE? HE'S GONE. LES HINES. YOU WILL BE ONE OF THE SEATS
14 HERE. MR. TRIVICH.

15

16 **MICHAEL TRIVICH:** MY NAME IS MICHAEL TRIVICH AND I'M
17 REPRESENTING KAGEL CANYON AND THE KAGEL CANYON CIVIC
18 ASSOCIATION. WE'RE IN THE UNINCORPORATED NORTHEAST SAN
19 FERNANDO VALLEY. 28 OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE SIGNED A PETITION
20 OPPOSING AGENDA ITEMS 23 AND 26. I HADN'T HEARD OF THE MARCH
21 C.A.O. VOTE UNTIL MAY. I'M CONCERNED THAT COUNTY RESIDENTS
22 HAVE NOT BEEN INFORMED AND HEARD ON A SIGNIFICANT
23 ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE TO OUR COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL ARCHITECTURE.
24 I NOTICE THAT ABC 7 AND NBC 4 HAVE ALREADY LEFT. CBS 2 DIDN'T
25 SHOW UP. I BELIEVE THAT THIS CHANGE SHOULD START WITH THE



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1 COUNTY RESIDENTS' APPROVAL IN JUNE 2008 OF THE PROPOSED
2 CHARTER AMENDMENT. WE CURRENTLY HAVE RESPONSIVE COUNTY
3 REPRESENTATION. I SEE THIS DIRECTION AS INSULATING ME FROM
4 GOVERNANCE. IN ADDITION, IT IS OUR OPINION THAT THE GOVERNANCE
5 TRANSITION REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS ARE A PREMATURE EXPANSION OF
6 THE INTERIM DUTIES OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS. IT IS
7 OUR OPINION THAT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS REPORT ARE MORE
8 APPROPRIATE FOR THE COUNTY CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSED FOR THE
9 JUNE 2008 PUBLIC VOTE. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MS. OCAMB AND PETER
12 BAXTER IF YOU'LL COME DOWN. MS. KAREN OCAMB.

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14 **KAREN OCAMB:** GOOD AN AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KAREN OCAMB AND I'M
15 THE NEWS EDITOR FOR "IN LOS ANGELES" MAGAZINE BUT TODAY I'M
16 HERE AS AN ADVOCATE FOR OPEN GOVERNMENT AND TRANSPARENCY.
17 WHILE I UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR GREATER EFFICIENCY AND MORE
18 ACCOUNTABILITY FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS, I'M VERY CONCERNED THAT
19 THE PUBLIC MAY SUFFER A LACK OF ACCESS, INPUT AND TRANSPARENCY
20 IF YOU FORMALLY ADOPT THIS REPORT AS WRITTEN AND FILED. I'M
21 VERY CONCERNED THAT THE NEW STRUCTURE WILL ENCOURAGE MANY
22 DECISIONS, IF NOT ACTIONS, TO BE MADE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS,
23 SPECIFICALLY AT THE BOARD DEPUTIES' MEETINGS. MR. JANSSEN
24 PUBLICLY SAID THAT THE C.A.O., AN UNELECTED EXECUTIVE, IS NOT
25 SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT. THIS STRUCTURE HAS THE NEW C.E.O.



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1 CONVENING AND RUNNING DEPUTIES' MEETINGS. WILL MR. JANSSEN'S
2 PHILOSOPHY RULE? WILL THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED? WILL THERE BE
3 NOTICES AND MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS? I ASKED SUNSHINE EXPERT
4 TERRY FRANK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF "CALIFORNIANS AWARE" ABOUT
5 ITEM 12, THE CLUSTER OF BOARD DEPUTIES. HE CONCLUDED THAT
6 CLUSTER MEETINGS WITH THREE OR MORE DEPUTIES ARE SUBJECT TO
7 THE BROWN ACT, SPECIFICALLY GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
8 54952.2(B). WHILE COUNTY COUNSEL MAY HAVE ADVISED YOU
9 DIFFERENTLY, I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF
10 TRANSPARENCY AND NOT SECRECY. MAKE CLEAR IN THE REPORT THAT
11 THE C.E.O. SERVES NOT ONLY THE BOARD'S CUSTOMERS, WE, THE
12 PEOPLE, BUT ALSO THE INDELIBLE PRINCIPLES OF GOOD OPEN
13 GOVERNMENT. FINALLY, IF YOU'RE CONSIDERING PUTTING THIS BEFORE
14 THE VOTERS, PLEASE MAKE IT COMPREHENSIBLE AND MAKE IT SUBJECT
15 TO THE BROWN ACT. BUT, ABOVE ALL, PLEASE DO NOT SACRIFICE GOOD
16 OPEN GOVERNMENT PRACTICES FOR EXPEDIENCY. THIS COUNTRY HAS HAD
17 ENOUGH OF SECRECY. WE YEARN FOR SUNSHINE AND GOOD LEADERSHIP
18 THAT INCLUDES US IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. HANG ON ONE SECOND. DR.
21 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL YOU CAN COME DOWN NOW. THERE'S A SEAT FOR
22 YOU. CHIN-HO LLAO.

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24 **CHIN-HO LLAO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TO SPEAK
25 ABOUT THIS ORDINANCE FOR REPLACING THE EXISTING INTERIM C.A.O.



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1 WE ARE CREATING ONE NEW C.E.O. AND THEN ONE NEW CHIEF DEPUTY
2 OF C.E.O. AND FIVE DEPUTY CHIEF C.E.O.S AND FIVE NEW
3 SECRETARIES. SO ACTUALLY THIS IS CREATING A NEW HUMONGOUS
4 GOVERNMENT, YOU KNOW? WE NEED EFFICIENT, NOT BIGGER,
5 GOVERNMENT. WHEN I TALKED TO ZEV 25 YEARS AGO, YOU ARE MY
6 HERO, YOU ARE STILL MY HERO BECAUSE, IN THE PAST, YOU WERE
7 STILL DOING A GREAT JOB. ALL OF YOU SUPERVISORS HAVE DONE A
8 FANTASTIC JOB. YOU DON'T NEED A C.E.O. TO TAKE OVER YOUR
9 CREDIT. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M LOOKING AT THIS. WHO IS SUPPOSED TO
10 APPOINT THIS C.E.O.? IF HE HAS THE KIND OF POWER, SHOULD BE
11 ELECTED BY PEOPLE, NOT BY APPOINTMENT, YOU KNOW, AND THAT'S MY
12 POINT. AND, GLORIA MOLINA, YOU JUST MENTIONED THE CRIME
13 SITUATION IS GETTING WORSE. AND BACK IN MY AREA, L.A. COUNTY,
14 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AREA, RIGHT NOW WE HAVE RAMPANT HEPATITIS
15 SITUATION. YOU GO OUT TO A RESTAURANT, YOU WORRY YOU MIGHT
16 CATCH THE DISEASE. SO WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS
17 PREVENTION. AND WE NEED TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY MORE HEALTHY
18 AND MORE SAFE. SO THIS IS MY POINT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GOOD TO SEE YOU AFTER
21 25 YEARS. MR. HIMES?

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23 **LES HIMES:** MY NAME IS LES HIMES. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE
24 WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COMMUNITY AT A NUMBER OF LEVELS, AS A
25 BUSINESS OWNER, AS A CITY COUNCILMAN'S ADVISORY COMMUNITY OUT



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1 THERE AND ALSO I'M A THREE TIME PAST PRESIDENT OF THE
2 CHATSWORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I JUST GOT THESE DOCUMENTS THE
3 LAST COUPLE DAYS AND I LOOKED AT THEM BOTH AT A MICRO LEVEL
4 AND A MACRO LEVEL AND I FIND THEM QUITE DISTURBING. I THIN
5 IT'S INTERESTING THAT THIS HAS BEEN RUSHED TO SUCH QUICK
6 FRUITION. I THINK IT'S ALSO INTERESTING AND I TRIED TO GET THE
7 QUESTION ANSWERED ABOUT WHAT WAS IN THE INITIAL ORDINANCE AND
8 THE STAFF WASN'T ABLE TO PROVIDE ME THAT. BUT I FIND IT ODD
9 THAT, IN SPIITE OF THE FACT THIS THEORETICALLY HASN'T HAPPENED,
10 THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR THIS REPORT WAS SIGNED BY THE CHIEF
11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WHO THEORETICALLY DOES NOT EXIST YET,
12 RATHER THAN THE C.A.O. IN THIS REPORT, I LOOK AND I SEE A
13 DEPARTMENT THAT GOES FROM 23 PEOPLE TO 28 PEOPLE BUT I AM TOLD
14 THAT THERE WILL BE NO COST FOR THE BUILD OUT OR FACILITIES
15 CHANGES BECAUSE OF THE SAVINGS OF SALARIES. BUT THERE IS GOING
16 TO BE A LARGER GROUP AND MORE SENIOR POSITIONS AND MONEY IS
17 GOING TO COME TO PROVIDE THIS CHANGE FROM SAVINGS. AND, IF WE
18 CAN DO THAT, MAYBE WE CAN BALANCE A LOT OF THINGS IN
19 GOVERNMENT. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HASN'T BEEN ISSUED THAT I
20 HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE WITH THIS IS IT'S TALKED ABOUT BEING
21 TAKING TO THE PUBLIC AS AN ELECTION. BUT IT'S TALKED ABOUT
22 BEING TAKEN TO AN ELECTION IN 2008, AFTER ONE SYSTEM HAS BEEN
23 DISMANTLED, AFTER ANOTHER SYSTEM HAS BEEN IN PLACE, AFTER
24 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS HAVE BEEN SPENT TO CHANGE A SYSTEM, CREATE
25 A NEW SYSTEM, AND THEN THE VOTERS ARE GOING TO BE ASKED TO



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1 SAY, WELL, WE'VE SPENT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, WOULD YOU LIKE US
2 TO THROW THAT MONEY AWAY AND START OVER AND GO BACK TO WHERE
3 WE WERE, WHICH WILL COST SEVERAL MILLION MORE DOLLARS? IT IS
4 MY GUT FEELING AND HEARTFELT THING, IT'S ON THE WORDS ON THE
5 WALL THERE, GOVERNMENT IS NOT IN A POSITION TO TELL THE PEOPLE
6 HOW TO BE GOVERNED. IT IS THE PEOPLE'S PLACE TO DECIDE HOW TO
7 BE GOVERNED. AND THIS ORDINANCE TELLS THE PEOPLE HOW THEY WILL
8 BE GOVERNED AND, AFTER THE FACT, ALLOWS THEM TO VOTE UPON IT.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. HIMES. PETER
11 BAXTER?

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13 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,
14 MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND
15 I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS
16 MOTION IS HISTORIC. THIS CREATES A CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
17 WITH RESPONSIBILITY AS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE
18 CONDUCT OF COUNTY OPERATIONS. AS IMMEDIATELY THE FIREFIGHTER
19 PILOT OF A HELICOPTER COMES INTO FOCUS, DOES THE CHIEF
20 EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAVE AUTHORITY TO GROUND ALL FIGHTER-- ALL
21 FIREFIGHTER PILOTS OF HELICOPTERS AT NIGHTTIME? THE PRESSURE
22 ON FIREFIGHTERS, HELICOPTER PILOTS IS RELENTLESS, A RELENTLESS
23 PRESSURE TO FLY AT NIGHT, MAKING WATER DROPS ON BRUSH FIRES.
24 FLYING A HELICOPTER OVER A BRUSH FIRE IS SUICIDAL. THE ENGINE
25 IS SUBJECT TO A SUDDEN LOSS OF POWER DUE TO THE LACK OF OXYGEN



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1 IN THE SMOKE-FILLED ATMOSPHERE. A DEPUTY SHERIFF HAS A
2 CONTINUING AUTHORITY TO TAKE LIFE IN THE DEFENSE OF HIS OWN OR
3 HER OWN LIFE. IS A FIREFIGHTER HELICOPTER PILOT DEFENSELESS AT
4 NIGHT OVER BRUSH FIRES? AND, IF ANYTHING, I MEAN, THERE'S A
5 LOT OF CONFUSION ABOUT WHO IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF THE CHIEF
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER BUT MY GENERAL THINKING IS THAT THE CHIEF
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS TO HAVE THE
8 AUTHORITY TO SAY, IT IS TOO DARK. IT'S TOO DANGEROUS, IT'S TOO
9 SUICIDAL FOR A PILOT OF A HELICOPTER TO FLY AT NIGHTTIME. AND
10 I WOULD REQUEST YOUR KIND ATTENTION TO THAT SUGGESTION, ALL OF
11 WHICH IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I THANK YOU, SIR.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER. DR.
14 CLAVREUL?

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. BAXTER DOESN'T KNOW THAT THE FIRE CHIEF IS AN
17 EXEMPT POSITION.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, THE FIRE CHIEF IS EXEMPTED
20 IN THIS PROPOSAL, YEAH. WE UNDERSTAND YOUR VIEW. [INAUDIBLE]

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE UNDERSTAND YOUR VIEW. DR.
23 CLAVREUL?

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I SHOULDN'T SAY GOOD
3 AFTERNOON BECAUSE IT IS NOT A GOOD AFTERNOON WHEN WE SEE THE
4 RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE BEING TRAMPLED ON ALL THE TIME. LIKE LAST
5 WEEK, IT SHOULD NOT BE A THREE VOTE, FIRST OF ALL. IT SHOULD
6 BE A FIVE VOTE AND I AM CONCERNED, AGAIN, OF THE ARROGANCE OF
7 MR. DAVID JANSSEN. WHEN WE HAVE NOT EVEN PASSED THE MOTION, HE
8 IS ALREADY SIGNING ALL THE DOCUMENTS AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE
9 OFFICER. THAT'S APPALLING AND A BREACH OF PROTOCOL AS FAR AS
10 I'M CONCERNED. AND I'M GOING TO BRING IT BACK ON PAGE 6 ON THE
11 CONSENT AGENDA. AS A DEFENDER OF THE BROWN ACT, AND YOU KNOW
12 YOU HAVE NOT BEEN VERY GOOD ABOUT OBEYING THE BROWN ACT, BUT
13 TO GIVE YOU TOTAL LICENSE TO VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT, MEMBERS OF
14 THE PUBLIC MAY COMMENT ON CONSENTED AGENDA ITEMS; HOWEVER, IT
15 IS THE BOARD'S DISCRETION AS TO WILL THE ITEM SHOULD BE
16 REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA I DISCUSS. SO YOU CAN,
17 DEPENDING ON YOUR MOOD OF YOUR DAY, DECIDE WE CAN'T EVEN
18 SPEAK. AND THAT IS APPALLING. I DON'T THINK WE WERE, YOU KNOW,
19 MOVING TO A COMMUNIST COUNTRY YET OR I WILL BE BE SHORTLY
20 MOVING OUT OF HERE. SO AS THE PROBLEM IS BROUGHT LAST WEEK IS
21 ABOUT THE CONTRACTS. AND, TODAY, I ASK A COPY OF THE DOCUMENT
22 AND TODAY THERE WAS NO ATTACHMENT. THE ATTACHMENT IS VERY
23 DAMNING. THE ATTACHMENT GIVE FEW LICENSE TO THE C.A.O. TO DO
24 ANY KIND OF CONTRACT WITHOUT COMING TO THE BOARD. I MEAN, I
25 THINK YOU KNOW WE ALREADY HAD A LOT OF BAD SOLE VENDOR



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1 CONTRACTS BEFORE. I MEAN, WE'RE GOING TO MUCH MORE. AND WHY
2 THE ATTACHMENTS WERE NOT PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC TODAY? MAYBE
3 IT'S BECAUSE, LAST WEEK, I PUT IT OUT A LOT OF THE PROBLEMS IS
4 THE ATTACHMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION. BUT I THINK IT
5 SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO YOUR VOTERS, THE PUBLIC, BEFORE EITHER
6 PASS HERE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. MR.
9 ANTONOVICH?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. JANSSEN, CURRENTLY, THERE IS AN ISSUE
12 INVOLVING ANY RESIDENT WITHIN THE COUNTY. MY OFFICE WORKS
13 DIRECTLY WITH THE RELEVANT ISSUES WHEN IT PERTAINS TO MY
14 DISTRICT. HOW DOES THE ADDITIONAL LAYER OF BUREAUCRACY IN YOUR
15 OFFICE ENHANCE SERVICE ACCESSIBILITY AND BENEFIT THE
16 RESIDENTS?

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18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU. AND I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER
19 THAT. I HAVE A PRESENTATION THAT WILL HELP ANSWER THAT, I
20 THINK, AND HOPEFULLY SOME OTHER QUESTIONS. AND THEN I'LL
21 ANSWER ANY QUESTION THAT YOU HAVE. IF WE COULD DO THAT. I DO
22 THIS, RECOGNIZING THAT I MAY LOSE MORE VOTES BY GOING THROUGH
23 THIS AND SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS ALREADY HEARD PART OF IT ONCE AT
24 CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL. IT HAS BEEN SHORTENED, TIGHTENED



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1 UP AND HOPEFULLY MADE MORE UNDERSTANDABLE. IT'S SOMEWHAT
2 BUREAUCRATIC BUT I DID WANT...

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, JUST DO IT IN TWO MINUTES.

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6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH. OH, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AT THE CONTRACT
7 CITIES MEETING LAST WEEK, SUMMARIZED MUCH MORE SIMPLY THAN I
8 HAVE THE TIMES I'VE DONE THIS WHAT YOU'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT
9 DOING. YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT CREATING A CITY MANAGER FORM OF
10 GOVERNMENT. AN ALTERNATIVE WAS ACTUALLY MENTIONED BY ONE OF
11 THE SPEAKERS THIS MORNING AND THAT WOULD BE A STRONG MAYOR
12 FORM OF GOVERNMENT. SO CITIES HAVE BOTH KINDS. THEY HAVE
13 STRONG CITY MANAGER OR THEY HAVE A STRONG MAYOR. AND I BELIEVE
14 LONG BEACH ACTUALLY JUST WENT TO A STRONG MAYOR FORM OF
15 GOVERNMENT. BUT THAT'S ALL WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE IS
16 CREATING A CITY MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT IN LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY. THE PRESENTATION, THE DISCUSSION TODAY IS ABOUT THE
18 ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS--
19 AND YOU ASKED US TO COME BACK AND SAY ALL RIGHT, AT THE 50,000
20 FOOT LEVEL, WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE WANT TO GO TO A STRONG CITY
21 MANAGER BUT WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? NOW WE, OVER THE LAST 45 DAYS
22 OR SO, ALL OF THE DEPARTMENT HEADS, ALL OF THE BOARD OFFICES,
23 CHIEFS OF STAFF AND DEPUTIES, WORKED ON-- IN FOUR DIFFERENT
24 TEAMS TO COME UP WITH THE PROPOSAL THAT'S BEFORE YOU TODAY.
25 AND THE GOAL WAS TO TRY TO CREATE SOMETHING THAT WORKED IN LOS



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1 ANGELES COUNTY. THE GOAL WAS NOT TO TRY TO BRING IN SANTA
2 CLARA COUNTY OR SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S MODEL BECAUSE WE, IN FACT,
3 ARE VERY DIFFERENT. AND I BELIEVE THE FIVE OF YOU HAVE MADE IT
4 VERY CLEAR THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION
5 THAT YOU WANT CONTROL OVER. THIS CHART IS THE CURRENT COUNTY
6 ORGANIZATION. THE ONE THAT WE ARE PROPOSING-- YOU ARE
7 PROPOSING TO CHANGE, YOU HAVE ESSENTIALLY 40 CLUSTERS HERE.
8 THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT IT IS. THERE IS NO DIRECT LINE BETWEEN A
9 CHIEF EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND ANY OF THE
10 OPERATIONS. THE TASKFORCE SAID OKAY, THE BOARD HAS DECIDED
11 THAT THEY WANT TO DO THIS. WHAT DO WE EXPECT TO COME OUT OF
12 IT? LET'S GO FROM THE 50,000 FOOT TO THE 30,000 FOOT LEVEL IF
13 POSSIBLE. IMPROVED ACCOUNTABILITY. CUSTOMER-FOCUSED AND
14 INTEGRATED SERVICES. BETTER COMMUNICATION. INCREASED
15 INTERDEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATION AND IMPROVING THE
16 ORGANIZATIONAL PROCESSES OF THE COUNTY, REFERRED TO JUST A
17 LITTLE EARLIER AS RETROACTIVE CONTRACTS. THIS IS THE MODEL, IF
18 YOU WILL, THE PROPOSED MODEL. AND I WANT TO SPEND JUST A
19 MINUTE ON IT BECAUSE I THINK, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THIS GETS
20 AT THE FIRST QUESTION THAT YOU ASKED AND THAT'S THE
21 CONSTITUENTS. WE HEARD VERY CLEARLY FROM ALL FIVE BOARD
22 MEMBERS THAT CONSTITUENT REQUESTS, CONSTITUENT RELATIONS COULD
23 NOT GO THROUGH AN ENHANCED, INCREASED BUREAUCRATIC
24 ORGANIZATION. IT WOULDN'T WORK. AND WHAT THIS SIMPLY IS
25 SAYING, THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RETAINS THE



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1 RESPONSIBILITY FOR GOVERNING LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND YOU HAVE
2 TWO BASIC FUNCTIONS IN THAT CAPACITY. THE FIRST IS OBVIOUS,
3 POLICY POLICY DECISION MAKING BUT THE OTHER IS ADMINISTRATIVE
4 OVERSIGHT. I THINK IT WAS SAID EARLY ON IN A DISCUSSION WITH
5 COUNTY COUNSEL, YOU'RE NOT GIVING UP ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT,
6 YOU'RE DELEGATING IT TO THE C.E.O. AND WILL RETAIN THE
7 OVERSIGHT OF THE OPERATION OF THE COUNTY. WHAT IS BELOW THAT
8 IS A SIMPLY A GOOD BUREAUCRATIC FLOWCHART OF INPUTS AND
9 OUTPUTS. BUT, TO THE RIGHT, IS THE MORE IMPORTANT PART OF
10 THIS. CONSTITUENT REQUESTS. AND I'LL TALK JUST A LITTLE BIT
11 ABOUT THAT MORE. ANY CONSTITUENT REQUEST FROM A BOARD OFFICE
12 IS GOING TO GO, AS LONG AS IT'S IN CURRENT POLICIES, ET
13 CETERA, DIRECTLY TO THE DEPARTMENTS. SO, IF YOU HAVE A FIELD
14 DEPUTY THAT GETS A CALL FROM A CONSTITUENT ON FRIDAY NIGHT
15 THAT THERE ARE DOGS RUNNING LOOSE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, YOU
16 CALL, JUST AS YOU DO TODAY, THE PEOPLE IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT
17 ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR RESPONDING TO THOSE CALLS. WE AREN'T GOING
18 TO PROPOSE THAT YOU RUN THAT THROUGH THE C.E.O., THE D.C.E.O.,
19 THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, THE SECOND DEPARTMENT HEAD, THE THIRD
20 DEPARTMENT HEAD AND, FINALLY, A MONTH FROM NOW, YOU GET
21 SOMEBODY TO COME OUT. THAT PORTION OF THE ORGANIZATION,
22 CONSTITUENT RELATIONSHIPS, CONSTITUENT INVOLVEMENT, IS NOT
23 GOING TO CHANGE. THE STRUCTURE. INSTEAD OF HAVING 40 CLUSTERS,
24 IF YOU WILL, WE'RE PROPOSING TO HAVE FIVE EXECUTIVE POSITIONS
25 CREATED. IN MY OFFICE RIGHT NOW, AS I'VE SAID BEFORE, I THINK



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1 THE POLICY, IF YOU WILL, IN OUR OFFICE, OUR INVOLVEMENT IN
2 POLICY IS PRIMARILY THROUGH THE BUDGET. IT'S NOT DONE THROUGH
3 EXECUTIVE POSITIONS. AND THE COST OF THIS IS A NET \$1.67
4 MILLION. WE ARE ELIMINATING FOUR EXECUTIVE POSITIONS IN OUR
5 OFFICE TO ACCOMPLISH THIS. SO IT'S AN ADDITION OF SIX
6 POSITIONS TOTAL OF THE 10 WE'RE PROPOSING TO ADD. INTERNALLY,
7 WE WILL MAINTAIN THE SAME KINDS OF RESPONSIBILITIES THAT WE
8 HAVE NOW, LABOR RELATIONS, CLASS COMP, BUDGET, OFFICE OF
9 PROTOCOL, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, ET
10 CETERA. THOSE WILL REMAIN A PART OF THE OFFICE. THIS TOOK SOME
11 TIME, THE TASKFORCE, IN ASSIGNING, IF YOU WILL, DEPARTMENTS TO
12 EXECUTIVE DEPUTIES, AFFINITY GROUPS, IF YOU WILL, SOME EASIER
13 THAN OTHERS. PUBLIC SAFETY IS CERTAINLY A PRETTY CLEAR ONE,
14 THAT THE EXECUTIVE IN PUBLIC SAFETY IS GOING TO BE WORKING
15 WITH, AND I'LL TALK ABOUT WHAT THAT MEANS ABOUT IN A MINUTE,
16 WITH ALL OF THESE PUBLIC SAFETY ENTITIES IN THE COUNTY TO
17 PROVIDE THE KIND OF INTEGRATION, COLLABORATION, SUPPORT,
18 SUPERVISION, RESPONSIVENESS THAT IS NEEDED. THEY WILL WORK
19 VERY CLOSELY WITH C.C.J.C.C., THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY, MY
20 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WOULD BE PUT IN THIS CLUSTER
21 BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE IT BELONGS ORGANIZATIONALLY. SHERIFF AND
22 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ARE INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED OFFICIALS. THERE'S
23 NO CHANGE WITH RESPECT TO THAT. BUT, FROM A ORGANIZATIONAL
24 STANDPOINT, THEY WILL BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED, AS WILL FIRE, IN
25 THE PUBLIC SAFETY CLUSTER. AND THE SAME IS TRUE ACROSS THE



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1 COUNTY. UNINCORPORATED AREA. COMMUNITY MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS. NOW,
2 WE HAVE AN OFFICE OF UNINCORPORATED AFFAIRS. IT'S A VERY SMALL
3 OFFICE THAT PROVIDES HELP BUT WE THINK THAT-- AND I THINK THE
4 BOARD THINKS THAT THE UNINCORPORATED AREA IS MORE IMPORTANT
5 THAN THAT AND NEEDS THE KIND OF ATTENTION THAT CAN BE
6 DELIVERED BY A DIFFERENT ORGANIZATION, IF YOU WILL. THE OFFICE
7 OF UNINCORPORATED SERVICES WOULD BE IN THAT CLUSTER AND
8 PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THE BOARD AND TO THOSE FUNCTIONS. CHILDREN
9 AND FAMILY SERVICES, HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH, SERVICE
10 INTEGRATION BRANCH, SUPPORT BOTH OF THOSE. WE REALLY
11 ANTICIPATE BEING ABLE TO ADVANCE THE BALL IN INTEGRATED
12 SERVICES. PLANNING COUNCIL HAS TALKED FOR 13, 14 YEARS ABOUT
13 IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, IMPROVING
14 SERVICES. WE HAVE MADE STRIDES IN THE LAST 10 YEARS BUT WE
15 CAN'T GET OVER THE NEXT HURDLE WITHOUT, FRANKLY, BEING ABLE TO
16 ORDER DEPARTMENTS TO DO CERTAIN THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE
17 AND THE CHANGE IN THE ORDINANCE WILL ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN. THE
18 TWO ARE VERY-- GOAL 5 AND GOAL 7, IT'S HARD TO SEPARATE THEM.
19 PROBATION, YOLI MENTIONED, WHEN I PRESENTED TO HER UNDER
20 PUBLIC SAFETY, PROBATION HAS A VERY IMPORTANT CHILDREN AND
21 FAMILY COMPONENT TO IT. IT'S NOT JUST PUBLIC SAFETY. IT'S A
22 LOT MORE THAN THAT. THEY'RE OBVIOUSLY GOING TO HAVE TO BE
23 INVOLVED IN THE REST OF THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES, AS WELL. TO
24 TRY TO TAKE IT FROM THE 30,000 FOOT TO THE 10,000 FOOT LEVEL,
25 IF YOU WILL, A TASKFORCE HAS THEN SAID, OKAY, WHAT ARE THE



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1 ROLES OF THESE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF THE CURRENT ORGANIZATION?
2 HOW DO WE MAKE WHAT'S GOING ON IN LOS ANGELES WORK IN LOS
3 ANGELES? AND, IN THE TRANSITIONARY PART, AND I WON'T GO
4 THROUGH THE DETAIL OF ALL OF THIS, BUT IN THE TRANSITIONARY
5 PART, IT OUTLINES THE EXPECTED ROLE AND FUNCTION OF EACH OF
6 THESE THREE AREAS, MY OFFICE, BOARD DEPUTIES, BOTH IN POLICY
7 AND IN FIELD DEPUTIES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS' RESPONSIBILITIES.
8 THEN TO GO FROM THE 10,000 FOOT MAYBE TO THE 1,000 FOOT LEVEL.
9 LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT SOME OF THE EXISTING PROCESSES THAT EXIST
10 IN THE COUNTY. HOW WOULD THEY FUNCTION? HOW WOULD THEY BE
11 DIFFERENT THAN WE'RE DOING NOW OR HOW WOULD THEY BE SIMILAR TO
12 WHAT WE'RE DOING NOW? FIVE VARIOUS CONSTITUENT REQUESTS,
13 POLICY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET, BOARD AGENDA AND
14 OPERATIONS. CONSTITUENT REQUESTS-- ACTUALLY, HANG ON. I
15 THOUGHT WE TOOK THIS OUT ONLY BECAUSE IT GOT CONFUSING. ONE IS
16 NARRATIVE. ONE IS CHART. THEY BOTH SAY THE SAME THING. LET ME
17 GO TO THE CHART. FIELD DEPUTY REQUESTS. I MENTIONED THIS
18 BEFORE. DEPARTMENT RESPONSE. CONSISTENT WITH MISSION, POLICY,
19 BUDGET, SCOPE, ET CETERA. THEY JUST DO IT. AND IT'S UP TO THE
20 DEPARTMENT TO LET US KNOW CENTRALLY IF WE NEED TO KNOW.
21 PROBABLY MOST OF THE TIME THAT ISN'T GOING TO BE NECESSARY.
22 SO, AS I SAID, CONSTITUENT REQUESTS, NO CHANGE. POLICY
23 PLANNING INTEGRATION. THIS GETS A LITTLE MORE COMPLICATED THAN
24 THE OTHER. IT ALSO FRANKLY GETS TO THE ISSUES RAISED BY SOME
25 OF THE SPEAKERS. AND THESE ARE CLUSTER MEETINGS. I WISH THERE



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1 WAS A BETTER TERM THAN CLUSTER BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO
2 THINK OF ONE. IT'S SIMPLY AFFINITY DEPARTMENTS, IF YOU WILL.
3 THE DEPUTY C.E.O. WILL CHAIR MEETINGS. AND IT SIMPLY MEANS
4 THAT THE STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF ANY ISSUE
5 FOR THE BOARD WILL BE PART OF THAT DISCUSSION, INCLUDED IN THE
6 DISCUSSION. THE GANG DIRECTIONS BY THE BOARD IS A GOOD EXAMPLE
7 OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE WAS ANOTHER
8 EXAMPLE OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF
9 THAT PICTURE IS SIMPLY SAYING, ONCE THAT HAPPENS, IT HAS TO BE
10 CONSISTENT ACROSS THE COUNTY. IT HAS TO BE LEGAL. IT HAS TO BE
11 AFFORDABLE. IT HAS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH CIVIL SERVICE RULES,
12 ET CETERA. THIS DID NOT GET CHANGED. THESE ARE WRITTEN DETAILS
13 THAT ARE IN THE REPORT. AGENDA. ALL RIGHT. BUDGET-- THERE WAS
14 CONCERN ABOUT, WILL THE BOARD CONTINUE TO GET ALL THE
15 DEPARTMENT PROPOSALS? AND THE ANSWER IS YES, THE BOARD IS
16 GOING TO CONTINUE TO GET ALL OF THE BUDGET INFORMATION THAT
17 THEY RECEIVED BEFORE. I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE THAT, LONG TERM, THE
18 INFORMATION IS GOING TO BE PACKAGED, PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED
19 IN A MUCH BETTER FASHION THAN IT IS CURRENTLY BUT THE BOARD
20 WILL GET ALL OF THE CURRENT INFORMATION THAT IT GETS WITH
21 RESPECT TO ALL OF THE BUDGET, WITH EXPLANATIONS ABOUT WHAT IS
22 IN AND WHAT IS NOT IN THE BUDGET. THE AGENDA-- AND THIS WAS
23 RAISED AGAIN ON A CONSENT ITEM. A COUPLE TIMES IT'S BEEN
24 RAISED. THERE ISN'T ANY INTENT TO TRY TO REDUCE THE ACCESS OF
25 THE PUBLIC TO THE ORGANIZATION AT ALL. THAT IS NEVER GOING TO



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1 HAPPEN. YOU WOULDN'T LET IT HAPPEN AND THIS IS NOT A PROPOSAL.
2 BUT IT WAS-- AND, AGAIN, BY WHATEVER YOU DO TODAY, YOU'RE
3 ACCEPTING THIS REPORT. THE DETAILS OF HOW WE IMPLEMENT THIS
4 STILL NEEDS TO BE WORKED OUT. YOU'RE STILL GOING TO BE
5 INVOLVED. YOUR OFFICES ARE STILL GOING TO BE INVOLVED IN
6 DEVELOPING WHAT A CONSENT CALENDAR MEANS. AND, ONCE IT COMES
7 HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT WHETHER IT
8 WORKS OR DOESN'T WORK BUT THE CONSENT AGENDA WAS SOMETHING
9 THAT PEOPLE SEEMED TO LIKE FROM SANTA CLARA COUNTY. AND THAT'S
10 ALL IT WAS INTENDED TO DO WAS TRY TO STREAMLINE A LITTLE BIT
11 SOME OF THE BUREAUCRACY THAT IS INVOLVED IN THE AGENDA. THE
12 IDEA OF A PERIODIC POLICY MEETING WHERE THE BOARD WILL NOT
13 HAVE TRANSACTIONAL ITEMS BEFORE IT BUT WILL SIMPLY HAVE POLICY
14 DISCUSSIONS. GANGS IS A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF THAT. HOMELESS
15 INITIATIVE. THAT-- ALMOST ANYTHING IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT
16 INVOLVES POLICY. I PERSONALLY, I WILL TELL YOU, I'D LIKE TO
17 TAKE IT OUT OF THIS BOARDROOM BECAUSE I THINK IT'S NOT A
18 BENEFICIAL WAY TO HAVE DIALOGUE. IT'S GOOD FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS
19 BUT IT'S NOT GOOD FOR DIALOGUE. THOSE ARE SIMPLY THINGS FOR US
20 TO CONSIDER AS WE IMPLEMENT THIS ORGANIZATION. AND AGENDA
21 BRIEFINGS. THAT WAS DISCUSSED. AGENDA BRIEFINGS. THE BOARD
22 POLICY. IS ANYTHING ON THE AGENDA 30 DAYS BEFORE? IS BROWN
23 ACT? THEY WILL CONTINUE TO BE BROWN ACT. THEY PROBABLY WILL BE
24 LED BY OUR OFFICE BUT THEY WILL BE PUBLIC SESSIONS INVOLVING
25 THE BOARD DEPUTIES, ET CETERA, NO CHANGE FROM THE WAY IT'S



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1 DONE NOW. UNINCORPORATED AREA POLICY. THEY WILL BE
2 CONSOLIDATED SO THAT WE AGAIN CAN BETTER FOCUS ON, CERTAINLY
3 HOPEFULLY BETTER DEAL WITH UNINCORPORATED ISSUES. THE MILLION
4 PLUS PEOPLE THAT LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE INCORPORATED CITIES ARE
5 ONLY ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF OUR BUDGET AND THEY CONSTANTLY HAVE
6 TO FIGHT FOR A PLACE AT THE TABLE. YOU GUYS CONTINUE-- YOU
7 GUYS, WHOA-- THE BOARD CONTINUES AND, BY THE ADDITIONS IN
8 BUDGET, STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF THEM BEING AT THE TABLE BUT,
9 WHEN YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE WELFARE, WHEN YOU'RE REQUIRED
10 TO PROVIDE HEALTH SERVICES, WHEN YOU'RE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE
11 CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES, THOSE ARE CONSISTENTLY COMPETING
12 AGAINST THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. YOU ADD TO THAT THE CONTRACT
13 RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE IN OTHER CITIES, IN M.T.A., ET
14 CETERA, THOSE ALSO MAKE IT HARDER FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREA
15 TO COMPETE FOR ATTENTION. OPERATIONS, THIS IS THE FIFTH AREA.
16 THIS IS WHERE I THINK WE CAN HAVE AS MUCH IMPROVEMENT AS
17 PROBABLY ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTY. AND THAT'S BRINGING
18 TOGETHER, UNDER ONE EXECUTIVE, THE INTERNAL OPERATIONS, IF YOU
19 WILL, OF THE COUNTY. I HAD A MEETING YESTERDAY WITH A PRIVATE
20 INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS VERY UPSET, HAPPENS TO BE ON A STATE BOARD,
21 VERY UPSET ABOUT ONE OF THE OPERATIONS THAT WE HAVE IN THE
22 COUNTY AND BROUGHT IN AN R.F.P. THAT THE COUNTY PUT OUT FOR
23 \$400,000, DROPPED IT ON MY DESK AND IT PRACTICALLY BROKE THE
24 DESK BECAUSE THE REQUIREMENTS IN THAT WERE SO ENORMOUS,
25 \$400,000 CONTRACT, THAT SHE COULD NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE



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1 WAY THAT WE CONDUCT BUSINESS. BUT, IN FACT, OVER THE YEARS,
2 ALL KINDS OF PROTECTIONS, RISK AVERSION PROCESSES AND
3 PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED AND ADDED ON TOP OF ONE
4 ANOTHER. AND GENEVIEVE HAS MENTIONED A COUPLE TIMES THIS
5 APPENDAGE. YOU'RE NOT APPROVING ANY APPENDAGE. YOU'RE NOT
6 APPROVING ANY CHANGES TO ANY POLICIES OR PROCEDURES. WE'RE NOT
7 ASKING YOU TO DO ANY OF THAT. ALL WE'RE SAYING IS THESE ARE
8 SOME OF THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT WE THINK WE OUGHT TO LOOK AT,
9 WORK ON AND COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS.
10 THAT'S ALL THAT THAT APPENDIX WAS. AND TWO LAST THINGS. BOARD-
11 APPOINTED COMMISSIONS. WE ARE NOT MAKING ANY RECOMMENDATIONS
12 ON BOARD-APPOINTED COMMISSIONS. ONE WAY OR THE OTHER, THEY ARE
13 PART OF THE INTEGRAL PART OF OUR ORGANIZATION RIGHT NOW. WE
14 JUST NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY REMAIN AN INTEGRAL PART IN
15 THE ORGANIZATION BUT ALL OF US NEED TO FIGURE OUT, UNDERSTAND
16 EXACTLY HOW THAT DOES WORK. AND I WILL MENTION ONE OF THE--
17 NO, I WON'T. I'LL JUST CUT THIS SHORT. ALL RIGHT. THEN
18 ALIGNMENT, SIMPLY, WE NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT, AGAIN, OVER THE
19 YEARS, VARIOUS RESPONSIBILITIES, LINE RESPONSIBILITIES HAVE
20 BEEN MOVED AROUND IN THE COUNTY. WE WANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT
21 WHETHER THEY'RE PROPERLY PLACED AND COME BACK TO YOU WITH
22 RECOMMENDATIONS. SO, AGAIN, I APPRECIATE-- IF I CAN GO BACK.
23 I'M HEARING VERY CLEARLY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WHAT YOUR
24 CONCERNS ARE AND THEY'RE NOT YOURS ALONE. YOUR COLLEAGUES HAVE
25 THEM, AS WELL, AND WE HAVE TRIED, IN PUTTING TOGETHER THE



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1 PROPOSED ORGANIZATION, TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS WE CAN TO
2 MAINTAINING THE CURRENT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I MEAN, LITERALLY ALL YOU'RE DOING, AS I
4 SAID, CREATING A CITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WHERE SOMEBODY IS
5 GOING TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR MANAGING THE DEPARTMENTS AND
6 THE OPERATIONS OF THE COUNTY. SO I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER
7 ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE BIG DIFFERENCE IS THE CITY COUNCILS ARE
10 PART TIME. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE ELECTED FULL TIME AND
11 WE HAVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY, AS WE'VE HAD IN THE PAST, AND
12 THERE'S NEVER BEEN A PROBLEM, PER SE, WHEN I WAS HERE UNDER
13 HARRY HUFFORD. I DON'T KNOW IF SUPERVISOR BURKE WAS HERE WITH
14 HARRY HUFFORD. WE WERE HERE, MANY OF US, UNDER RICHARD DIXON,
15 SALLY REED. THERE'S NEVER BEEN A PROBLEM WHEN THERE IS A NEED
16 TO SIMPLIFY R.F.P.S GOING OUT IF-- IT'S A MANAGEMENT STYLE.
17 IT'S THE-- HOW YOU HANDLE THE MANAGEMENT. THERE'S NEVER BEEN A
18 PROBLEM IN BRINGING DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER TO FOCUS ON A NEED
19 AND GETTING THAT RESOLVED AND A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THAT IS, IN
20 RECENT TIMES, THERE HAVE BEEN OTHERS IN PAST TIMES, WITH THE
21 ISSUE DEALING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND OUR JUVENILE
22 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION WHERE WE WERE ABLE TO PUT THE
23 DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER IN OUR EXECUTIVE SESSIONS. WE WORKED
24 DIRECTLY WITH THEM, WITH OUR DEPUTIES, AND CAME UP WITH A
25 SOLUTION THAT RESOLVED THE ISSUE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF



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1 JUSTICE. MANY PEOPLE SEE THIS JUST AS A MEANS OF INCREASING
2 SALARIES FOR CERTAIN PEOPLE IN THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE. AND, IF
3 THE C.A.O. WANTS TO DEVELOP A DIFFERENT STRUCTURE WITHIN HIS
4 DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE YOU HAD, WHAT, 501, 521 PEOPLE, YOU HAVE
5 THAT FLEXIBILITY. IF YOU NEEDED TO ADD ONE OR TWO PEOPLE, YOU
6 HAD THAT ABILITY. THE CURRENT SYSTEM DOESN'T PRECLUDE THAT
7 JUST AS THE CURRENT SYSTEM DOESN'T PRECLUDE YOU FROM GETTING
8 INVOLVED IN HOLDING DEPARTMENTS ACCOUNTABLE, THAT YOU HAVE
9 THAT ABILITY AND MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD THAT THIS
10 INDIVIDUAL OUGHT TO BE REMOVED OR THIS INDIVIDUAL OUGHT TO DO
11 THIS. YOU'VE HAD THAT ABILITY. I KNOW, IN THE RECENT WEEKS,
12 JUST, WHAT, A WEEK OR TWO WEEKS AGO WHEN WE HAD A DEATH AT
13 KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER, IT HAPPENED, I BELIEVE, ON A
14 WEDNESDAY. THE BOARD IS NOTIFIED AT 7:20 P.M. FRIDAY EVENING
15 BECAUSE WE BROKE DOWN IN THE NOTIFICATION WITH SOME PEOPLE
16 TRYING TO WORK UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM THAT HADN'T YET REALLY
17 BEEN IMPLEMENTED IS WHAT WE'RE ATTEMPT TO DO TODAY. SO HOLDING
18 THE BOARD OUT OF ACTION. I KNOW A COUPLE OF US WERE ABLE TO
19 SEE THE VIDEO OF WHAT TOOK PLACE IN THAT TRAGEDY. BUT, AGAIN,
20 THE FULL BOARD DID NOT HAVE THAT ABILITY BECAUSE THEY WERE
21 DELAYED IN THAT INFORMATION, COMING ON A FRIDAY EVENING WHEN
22 MOST PEOPLE WERE NOT AT THE OFFICE AT 7:20 P.M. EVEN THOUGH
23 THE DEATH OCCURRED, IT WAS A WEDNESDAY MORNING OR TUESDAY
24 NIGHT, I'M NOT SURE OF THE CHRONOLOGY. CURRENTLY, WHEN AN
25 ISSUE INVOLVES ANY RESIDENT, AS I SAID, OUR DISTRICT WORKS



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1 DIRECTLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND WE-- NOW, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
2 AN ADDITIONAL PERSON TO GO THROUGH. HOW DOES THAT BENEFIT AND
3 ENHANCE THAT PERSON?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT YOU'RE
6 GOING TO HAVE A NEW PERSON TO GO THROUGH. I THINK WE CARVED
7 OUT, WE DELIBERATELY CARVED OUT BECAUSE ALL FIVE BOARD MEMBERS
8 MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT CONSTITUENT RESPONSE, CONSTITUENT
9 RELATIONSHIPS BELONG WITH THE BOARD. AND SO THERE IS NOT GOING
10 TO BE A REQUIREMENT THAT ALL OF THOSE GO THROUGH OUR OFFICE.
11 THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE FROM WHAT THE CURRENT OPERATION IS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT HOW CAN ADDING A NEW LAYER INCREASE THE
14 EFFICIENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY WITH THAT ADDITIONAL LAYER FOR
15 LOCAL DECISIONS?

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE WAY I WOULD ANSWER THAT IS THIS. AND,
18 FRANKLY, THIS IS THE PART THAT DEPARTMENT HEADS ARE NOT GOING
19 TO BE PARTICULARLY WILD ABOUT. IN THE CURRENT ORGANIZATION,
20 WHERE 37 DEPARTMENTS REPORT TO THE FIVE BOARD MEMBERS, AND
21 I'LL TALK ABOUT THE BROWN ACT AS PART OF THAT, THE ONLY LEGAL
22 WAY THAT YOU CAN EXERCISE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MANAGE THOSE
23 DEPARTMENTS IS IN PUBLIC SESSION. SO THAT LITERALLY MEANS,
24 THAT UNLESS YOU'RE IN SESSION PASSING MOTIONS, YOU AREN'T
25 LEGALLY SUPERVISING 37 DEPARTMENTS. AND THE COORDINATION OR



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1 CONSOLIDATION THAT TAKES PLACE IS THROUGH MY OFFICE, WHICH IS,
2 YOU'RE RIGHT, I MEAN, WE DO DO THAT, WE DO A PRETTY GOOD JOB
3 OF IT. BUT I THINK, UNDER THIS STRUCTURE, WHERE YOU HAVE AN
4 EXECUTIVE, KNOWLEDGEABLE, TALENTED EXECUTIVE WORKING WITH,
5 MANAGING, EVALUATING, ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS, THE OPERATIONS OF
6 THE DEPARTMENT, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE BETTER OPERATIONS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOU ALREADY HAVE THAT ABILITY.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAVE THE ABILITY BECAUSE YOU HELP PREPARE
13 THEIR BUDGET AND YOU CAN TELL US THAT THIS DEPARTMENT IS SHORT
14 IN THIS AREA, THIS DEPARTMENT IS VERY STRONG IN THIS AREA, AND
15 HAVING THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS PUT FORTH AND ACTED UPON. YOU
16 KNOW, IT'S A TWO WAY STREET. WE NEED THAT. AND THAT'S WHY YOU
17 WERE HIRED AS C.A.O.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I UNDERSTAND. BUT I DON'T PERSONALLY
20 BELIEVE THAT A BUDGET IS THE MECHANISM FOR MANAGING AN
21 ORGANIZATION AS LARGE AS THIS. IT CERTAINLY IS IMPORTANT BUT
22 YOU SHOULDN'T BE USING BUDGET THREATS AS THE WAY TO BETTER
23 MANAGE AN ORGANIZATION.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I CAN AGREE WITH YOU ON THAT. BUT THE ISSUE
2 IS, YOU HAVE THAT ABILITY 52 WEEKS OUT OF THE YEAR. YOU GOT TO
3 BE QUICK, DAVID, YOU GOT TO BE QUICK. IT'S 52 WEEKS OUT OF A
4 YEAR. IT'S NOT JUST AT BUDGET TIME. AND WE'VE DONE A PRETTY
5 GOOD JOB...

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'VE DONE BASICALLY ADMINISTERED-- YEAH.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE DEPARTMENTS 52 WEEKS OF A YEAR. SO YOU'VE
10 HAD THAT ABILITY.

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I'VE SAID BEFORE. THIS IS AWKWARD FOR ME
13 BECAUSE I THINK WE HAVE, IN FACT, DONE A VERY GOOD JOB IN THIS
14 COUNTY. I JUST THINK WE CAN DO A LOT BETTER.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CURRENTLY, AS I SAID, EACH OF US WORK THE
17 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, ADDING THIS OTHER PERSON SLOWS DOWN THE
18 PROCESS IN MY OPINION. FOR EXAMPLE, SOME AREAS OF THE COUNTY
19 ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF EQUESTRIANS. AND, IN OUR AREA, WE HAVE
20 A LOT OF OPEN SPACE, HIKING TRAILS, EQUESTRIAN TRAILS, WHICH
21 IS A PRIORITY. THAT MAY NOT BE A PRIORITY FOR CERTAIN
22 DEPARTMENTS. TRACKING AND MAINTAINING THE TRAILS HAS BEEN
23 LABOR INTENSIVE AND THE PROCESS WOULD HAVE BEEN STALLED
24 SEVERAL TIMES HAD NOT MY PARKS DEPUTY INTERVENED. SOME COUNTY
25 STAFF DON'T HAVE THE WILL OR THE WAY TO GET THOSE THINGS



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1 COMPLETED. SO HOW WILL THE NEW STRUCTURE PREVENT COVER FOR
2 INDIVIDUALS TO STONEWALL SUCH PROJECTS SUCH AS OUR TRAILS?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I MEAN, THAT'S ALWAYS A POSSIBILITY IN ANY
5 ORGANIZATION. IT'S THE POSSIBILITY EVEN IN OUR ORGANIZATION. I
6 BELIEVE-- IN ALTADENA, FOR EXAMPLE, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE
7 TRAILS, THERE WAS A DEVELOPMENT THERE THAT REALLY WENT OFF
8 TRACK AND ALL OF US DID A LOUSY JOB OF KEEPING IT ON TRACK. I
9 WOULD HOPE THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO BETTER MANAGE DATA AND
10 INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING, WHAT WE'RE NOT DOING. AND
11 IT'S THE BOARD-- ONCE THE BOARD HAS MADE A DECISION THAT
12 TRAILS ARE IMPORTANT, THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANYBODY THAT'S DOING
13 ANYTHING OTHER THAN FURTHERING THAT. AND THERE ARE PLENTY OF
14 PLACES, IT SEEMS TO ME, IN THIS WHERE, IF IT ISN'T HAPPENING,
15 YOU GUYS CAN INTERVENE, YOUR DEPUTIES DID INTERVENE, THE
16 PUBLIC CAN INTERVENE. BUT, ON SOMETHING LIKE THAT, WE'RE
17 TALKING UNINCORPORATED AREA PROBABLY PRIMARILY HERE, I DON'T
18 SEE MUCH CHANGE FROM THE WAY YOUR DEPUTIES ARE OPERATING RIGHT
19 NOW, SUPERVISOR, WITH RESPECT TO ANY OF THOSE TYPE OF ISSUES.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROPOSAL WEAKENS THE BOARD'S ROLE IN
22 POLICY DEVELOPMENT BY ADDING, AGAIN, THIS FILTER BETWEEN THE
23 SUPERVISORS AND THE DEPARTMENTS. IF THE BOARD HAS AN ONGOING
24 ISSUE WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, THEN THE ONLY RECOURSE IS TO



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1 FIRE THE C.E.O. TO GET RID OF THAT DEPARTMENT HEAD. IS THAT AN
2 IMPROVEMENT IN MANAGEMENT?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S-- TECHNICALLY, I MEAN, ASSUMING THE
5 CHARTER CHANGES, THAT'S NOT THE CASE UNDER THE EXISTING BUT
6 ANY C.E.O. THAT IS NOT LISTENING TO THE BOARD'S CONCERNS ABOUT
7 THE OPERATIONS OF A DEPARTMENT SHOULDN'T LAST BECAUSE THAT
8 PERSON HAS TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
9 THAT FLOWS DOWNWARD IN THE ORGANIZATION. SO I THINK WE'RE
10 GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO A MUCH BETTER JOB OF EVALUATING THE
11 PERFORMANCE, REPORTING ON THE PERFORMANCE, GOOD AND BAD, OF
12 THE EXECUTIVES IN THE ORGANIZATION WHICH WILL, IN FACT,
13 BENEFIT YOU. IN TERMS OF THE POLICY PIECE OF THIS, I THINK WE
14 CAN HELP IMPROVE THE POLICY DELIBERATING PROCESS OF THE
15 COUNTY. I REALLY THINK THAT THIS IS GOING TO MAKE IT A LOT
16 EASIER ON YOU TO GRAPPLE WITH THE VERY DIFFICULT, IMPOSSIBLE
17 DECISIONS YOU HAVE ON A WEEKLY BASIS RUNNING THIS COUNTY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DO YOU PREVENT DEPARTMENT HEADS
20 COMMUNICATING ISSUES TO ELECTED OFFICIALS, THE BOARD MEMBERS,
21 WITHOUT HAVING THEIR VIEWS FILTERED THROUGH A C.E.O., HIS
22 CHIEF DEPUTY AND THE OTHERS WITHIN THAT ORGANIZATION PRIOR TO
23 COMING TO THE BOARD?

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK...



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT A DEPARTMENT HEAD MAY
3 DIRECTLY COMMUNICATE THOSE CONCERNS WITHOUT HAVING TO BE IN A
4 STRAIGHTJACKET GOING THROUGH A PROCESS THAT MAY FILTER, MUTE
5 ABRIDGE, THAT CONCERN?

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, YEAH, I BELIEVE, ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR
8 MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR KNABE HAVE A MOTION TODAY THAT I HAVE
9 SEEN A DRAFT OF THAT ADDRESSES SPECIFICALLY THAT CONCERN AND I
10 HAVE NO PROBLEM AT ALL WITH THAT MOTION. WE SHOULD NEVER FIND
11 OURSELF IN A POSITION WHERE THE BOARD IS NOT RECEIVING ALL OF
12 THE INFORMATION THAT IT NEEDS TO MAKE A DECISION.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO A DEPARTMENT HEAD COULD RAISE A CONCERN
15 WITHOUT ANY REPERCUSSIONS WITH A BOARD MEMBER?

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROPOSAL DESIGNATES ONE JUNIOR C.E.O. TO
20 BE IN CHARGE OF ALL MUNICIPAL SERVICES FOR THE UNINCORPORATED
21 AREAS. HOW DO YOU MAKE SURE THIS DOES NOT LEAD TO A COOKIE
22 CUTTER APPROACH TO THOSE SERVICES, DELIVERY OF THOSE SERVICES
23 BECAUSE EACH OF OUR COMMUNITIES ARE DIFFERENT AND THE
24 SUPERVISORS WERE ELECTED TO REPRESENT THOSE PEOPLE AND NOT A
25 BUREAUCRAT?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, TWO THINGS. ONE, YOU KNOW, I'M FULLY
3 SYMPATHETIC WITH THAT PERSONALLY BUT THAT DOESN'T DO YOU ANY
4 GOOD BECAUSE I'M NOT GOING TO BE HERE BUT THE OFFICE THAT WE
5 CREATED MANY YEARS AGO, ALL OF US IN UNINCORPORATED AFFAIRS,
6 HAS DELIBERATELY NOT DONE THAT. AND ALL I WOULD SAY,
7 SUPERVISORS, YOU NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WHOEVER YOU HIRE
8 APPRECIATES THE DIFFERENCES IN THE 120 COMMUNITIES THAT WE
9 HAVE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. BUT THAT ISN'T ENOUGH BECAUSE
10 THE FACT THAT THE FIVE OF YOU BELIEVE IT'S EXTRAORDINARILY
11 IMPORTANT IS ALL ANYBODY NEEDS TO KNOW THAT'S IN THIS
12 POSITION. NOBODY CAN IGNORE THAT WHEN FIVE BOARD MEMBERS ARE
13 SAYING, "YOU HAVE TO TREAT THE COMMUNITIES DISTINCTLY." SO I
14 DON'T SEE THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE AS A PROBLEM GOING FORWARD
15 WITH THE ORGANIZATION.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON PAGE 7 UNDER THE UNINCORPORATED AREA
18 POLICY, IT STATES THAT THOSE UNINCORPORATED AREA POLICY ISSUES
19 WOULD BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE BOARD'S PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
20 BUT BECAUSE THOSE HEARING AGENDAS ARE JUST ONCE A MONTH, DOES
21 THAT MEAN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA ISSUES MAY ONLY BE DISCUSSED
22 AND VOTED ON ONCE A MONTH?

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I HOPE THAT WAS NOT THE INTENT. NO, THAT ISN'T
25 WHAT THAT MEANS. HOPEFULLY. IT MAY SAY THAT BUT THAT ISN'T



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1 WHAT IT MEANS. UNINCORPORATED AREA ISSUES-- I THINK THE INTENT
2 WAS TO GROUP THEM ON WHICHEVER AGENDA IT WAS SO THAT THERE WAS
3 MORE OF A VISIBILITY THAT THESE WERE MUNICIPAL ISSUES. RIGHT
4 NOW...

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DOES THIS GUARANTEE THAT THOSE ISSUES
7 COULD BE INCLUDED WEEKLY IF NECESSARY?

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SAY YOU WANT IT.
10 LITERALLY. I MEAN WE HAVEN'T DEVELOPED THE PROCESS YET BUT, AS
11 WE DO THAT, WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT THAT HAPPENS AND IS PART OF
12 THE PROCESS. THE IDEA IS, IF YOU LOOK AT OUR AGENDA NOW, IT'S
13 100-- IT COULD BE UP TO 150 DIFFERENT ITEMS AND IT'S BROKEN
14 DOWN BY DEPARTMENT AND IT'S JUST-- THERE'S NO INTEGRATION OF
15 THE ISSUES. THERE'S NO DISCUSSION OF THE RELATIONSHIPS, ET
16 CETERA. SO THE IDEA IS THAT THOSE ISSUES RELATED TO THE
17 UNINCORPORATED AREA GET GROUPED TOGETHER. I THINK IT'S AS
18 SIMPLE AS THAT AND I THINK THAT ACTUALLY CAME FROM THE
19 DELIBERATIONS-- FROM BOARD OFFICES BUT WE WILL JUST MAKE SURE
20 THAT IT IS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ROLE OF THE C.E.O. IS BEING PROPOSED TO
23 BE CONTINUOUSLY INFORMED OF CRITICAL HIGH PROFILE CASES. WHAT
24 IS THE BOARD'S ROLE IN THOSE CRITICAL HIGH PROFILE CASES IF
25 THE C.E.O. IS NOW GOING TO HANDLE THEM?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WHAT PAGE IS THAT? WHAT PAGE IS THAT ON?

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T HAVE THAT PAGE NUMBER.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE WAS A DISCUSSION
7 UNDER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S-- I
8 KNOW THERE IS A PIECE WHERE, IN A SITUATION WHERE DEPARTMENTS
9 ARE RESPONDING REGULARLY OR DIRECTLY TO BOARD OFFICES, THAT
10 THEY NEEDED TO KEEP THE CENTRAL OFFICE AWARE OF, AFTER THE
11 FACT, OF WHAT'S HAPPENING SO THAT WE CAN SEE TRENDS. THAT'S
12 ONE POSSIBILITY. THE OTHER...

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S ON PAGE 5. C.E.O. APPOINTED DEPARTMENT
15 HEADS, ENSURE THE C.E.O. IS CONTINUOUSLY INFORMED OF CRITICAL
16 HIGH PROFILE ISSUES. CURRENTLY, THE SUPERVISORS TAKE CONTROL
17 OVER THIS, NOT THE C.E.O. EXAMPLE HAS BEEN THE FLOOD, ISSUES
18 WITH FLOOD CONTROL.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YOU KNOW, ANYTHING OF THAT...

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PAGE 5 UNDER NEW RESPONSIBILITIES.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I HAVE THAT. I'M JUST WONDERING IF THERE'S
25 ANYTHING MORE UNDER THE-- IN THE TRANSITION REPORT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, UNDER THAT, IT SAYS ELEVATE THE HIGH
3 RISK ISSUES TO THE C.E.O.

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. ANYTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE THAT HAPPENS
6 IN YOUR DISTRICTS, YOU'RE GOING TO KNOW ABOUT IMMEDIATELY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, WE JUST HAD THE DEATH AT KING DREW. WE
9 FIND OUT ABOUT IT ON FRIDAY.

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. AND WE SCREWED UP ON THAT. WE DID.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ACTUALLY, IT WAS-- BOARD OFFICES
14 WERE INFORMED ON WEDNESDAY. I HAVE A COPY OF THE EMAIL RIGHT
15 HERE.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK IT DEPENDS ON WHICH BOARD OFFICE. I
18 THINK...

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, ALL, ALL BOARD OFFICES. I HAVE
21 THE EMAIL HERE IF YOU'D LIKE TO SEE IT, INCLUDING TWO
22 MEMBER...

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY WERE USING THE WRONG EMAIL, SO WE DIDN'T
25 GET IT UNTIL FRIDAY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE. THEY WERE ADDRESSED TO YOUR
3 OFFICE. THEY WERE ADDRESSED TO ALL THE OFFICES.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW BUT THEY HAD USED-- AND THEN THEY SENT
6 OUT THAT CLARIFICATION THAT THEY USED THE WRONG EMAIL. THE
7 POINT IS, WE DIDN'T HAVE THAT BEFORE.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT AND...

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY ACTUALLY CONTACTED
12 PEOPLE ALSO.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I WILL-- YOU KNOW, I'M-- I WANT TO...

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** THE MOST-- I'M GOING TO SAY, I THINK, IN THE PAST,
17 WE READ ABOUT IT IN THE PAPER IS HOW WE GOT THE INFORMATION.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I WANT TO AGREE WITH HIM ON THIS. I WANT, I
20 WANT TO AGREE WITH HIM ON THIS. WE DID A LOUSY JOB OF
21 COMMUNICATING. YOU DID RECEIVE SOMETHING ON WEDNESDAY BUT IT
22 WAS MINIMAL. AND THEN YOU DIDN'T GET ANY MORE INFORMATION
23 UNTIL FRIDAY NIGHT AND THAT'S NOT ACCEPTABLE. AND IT WAS A--
24 IN PART-- IT WASN'T EVEN A TEST RUN. WE WERE RUNNING BEHIND
25 BECAUSE WE HAD TWO DEPARTMENTS TELLING US DIFFERENT THINGS AND



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1 WE DIDN'T WANT MISINFORMATION TO GO. AND WHAT WE SHOULD HAVE
2 DONE AND WHAT WE'LL DO NEXT TIME IS SENT A STATUS REPORT
3 SAYING THESE ARE THE KINDS OF THINGS WE'RE LOOKING AT UNTIL WE
4 FIGURE IT OUT BUT WE DIDN'T DO THAT. SO, YEAH, WE COULD HAVE
5 DONE A MUCH BETTER JOB. AND I THINK, SUPERVISOR, IN THE
6 CURRENT ORGANIZATION, THERE ARE 50 DIFFERENT COMMUNICATION
7 PATHS ON ANY GIVEN ISSUE. I MEAN, INFORMATION FLOWS ALL OVER
8 THE PLACE AND NOBODY REALLY HAS A HANDLE ON EVERYTHING, WHICH
9 MEANS WE'RE ALL FORCED TO MAKE JUDGMENTS ABOUT PARTIAL
10 INFORMATION. I HAD IT HAPPEN TO ME ON A SHERIFF'S BUDGET
11 ISSUE, WHERE I REALIZED, AFTER THE FACT I HAD PARTIAL
12 INFORMATION. I THOUGHT I HAD EVERYTHING BECAUSE WE HAD HEARD
13 FROM, YOU KNOW, THIS OFFICE, THAT OFFICE, THIS OFFICE, THAT
14 OFFICE. IN ANY EVENT, IT'S TO PROVIDE, HOPEFULLY, A BETTER
15 FLOW STRUCTURED INFORMATION BUT WE COULD HAVE DONE A MUCH
16 BETTER JOB, NO QUESTION.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MUCH NOTICE WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR A
19 SUPERVISOR TO REMOVE AN ITEM FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR TO BE
20 CONSIDERED FOR THE POLICY MEETING?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THE DAY OF THE MEETING, JUST LIKE YOU DO ON ANY
23 OTHER AGENDA.

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** DAY OF THE MEETING.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT NOW, YOU MENTION THAT YOU'RE GOING TO
3 IMPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. WE ALREADY HAVE A CONSENT
4 CALENDAR. IF YOU WANT TO MAKE IT LONGER, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
5 PROBLEM ISSUE-- THE CURRENT STRUCTURE WOULD PERMIT YOU TO DO
6 THAT SO THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY NECESSARY TO HAVE THAT, RIGHT?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'M WEAK ON THIS ONE BECAUSE I WAS NOT PART OF
9 THAT DISCUSSION. IT IS COMING TO YOU FOR DISCUSSION. YOU'RE
10 NOT AGREEING TO DO IT HERE. IT IS SOMETHING...

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT, I MEAN, IF IT'S ON THE BOARD WHAT THIS
13 WAS GOING TO ACCOMPLISH, YOU JUST...

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I KNOW. THIS IS A NOTE AND FILE THE TRANSITION
16 REPORT. WE NEED TO FIGURE THAT OUT BUT I THINK IT CAME OUT OF
17 DISCUSSIONS ABOUT HOW SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OPERATED AND
18 IT'S FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. THAT'S ALL IT IS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS, INSTEAD OF
21 LISTING THEM BY DEPARTMENT AS YOU DO NOW, YOU JUST LIST THEM
22 WITHOUT THE DEPARTMENT AS ALL CONSENT-- BECAUSE THEY'RE ARE
23 CONSENT ITEMS RIGHT NOW UNLESS WE HOLD THEM.

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I DON'T KNOW. I CAN'T ANSWER THAT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO I CAN'T SEE HOW THIS IS GOING TO ENHANCE
3 THAT. WITH FOUR EXECUTIVE POSITIONS CURRENTLY ALLOCATED TO
4 YOUR OFFICE THAT ARE BEING ELIMINATED TO HELP PAY FOR THIS
5 RESTRUCTURING, A MORE COMPLETE PICTURE OF THIS ACTUAL COST
6 WOULD BE TO ADD THE NEW NET COUNTY COSTS OF APPROXIMATELY \$1.7
7 MILLION TO THE COST OF THE FOUR ELIMINATED POSITIONS PLUS THE
8 SAVINGS SO WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST WHEN YOU LOOK AT ACTUALS,
9 NOT JUST THE NET...

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, IT'S 900,000 MORE THAN THE MILLION SEVEN
12 OR TWO SIX BUT WE'RE ELIMINATING \$900,000 OUT OF OUR BUDGET TO
13 HELP FUND THEM. SO THAT'S THE NET COST.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ALL THE POSITIONS THAT WERE ELIMINATED
16 HAD VEHICLES ASSIGNED TO THEM?

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THESE NEW POSITIONS WILL HAVE VEHICLES
21 ASSIGNED TO THEM?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, THEY WILL.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT COST HAS BEEN FACTORED IN?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE OFFICE SPACE IS-- WITH NO
5 MODIFICATIONS HAS ALL BEEN FACTORED IN?

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK WHAT WE SAID IS WE'LL PAY FOR WHATEVER
8 MODIFICATIONS HAVE TO BE DONE AND THERE AREN'T MANY. ACTUALLY,
9 I WILL TELL YOU RIGHT NOW THE BIGGEST MODIFICATION THAT NEEDS
10 TO BE DONE BEFORE I LEAVE IS THE RENOVATION OF MY OFFICE. I
11 DON'T WANT TO LEAVE THE NEW PERSON WITH THE OFFICE. SUPERVISOR
12 MOLINA SAW THE WALL'S PEELING OFF AND IT'S GOING TO COST
13 MONEY. I JUST WANT TO GIVE YOU A HEADS UP. I'M COMING TO FIX
14 MY OFFICE BUT THE OTHER WE'RE FUNDING OURSELVES.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GIVEN THAT WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF HIRING A
17 NEW C.E.O., HOW FLEXIBLE IS THIS POLICY? AND WILL THAT
18 INDIVIDUAL BE ABLE TO IMPROVE UPON THE ORGANIZATION OR WILL
19 THEY HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES?

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'VE HAD A COUPLE OF DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
22 RECRUITING AGENCY ABOUT THAT AND A COUPLE OF OTHER PEOPLE. I
23 THINK HAVING THE ORGANIZATION IN PLACE, HAVING GOOD PEOPLE
24 FILLING THE POSITIONS IS GOING TO MAKE IT EASIER TO RECRUIT
25 SOMEBODY INTO THE ORGANIZATION WHO KNOWS THEY'RE COMING IN



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1 WITH THE SUPPORT THEY NEED TO BE SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE ANYBODY
2 THAT COMES IN AND SAYS, "I'M GOING TO SHAKE UP EVERYTHING
3 THAT'S DONE. I'M GOING TO START ALL OVER. I KNOW, IN A WEEK,
4 WHAT THE PROBLEMS ARE," IS SOMEBODY I THINK YOU DON'T WANT.
5 YOU WANT TO HAVE SOMEBODY THAT HAS THE CAPABILITY OF
6 UNDERSTANDING WHAT'S GOING ON BEFORE MAKING CHANGES. SO I
7 THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE AN ADVANTAGE IN RECRUITMENT THAN
8 NOT. MORE OF AN ADVANTAGE THAN NOT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON YOUR ATTACHMENT 1, PAGE 1, THE OVERALL
11 COUNTY DECISION-MAKING STRUCTURE SHOWS THAT CONSTITUENTS CAN
12 GO TO DEPARTMENTS BUT SUPERVISORS MUST FILTER THEIR
13 INTERACTIONS WITH DEPARTMENTS THROUGH THE JUNIOR C.E.O.S.
14 INSTEAD OF HAVING THE C.E.O. FILTER ALL INFORMATION FROM THE
15 DEPARTMENTS, WHY NOT HAVE THE BOARD OFFICES AND C.E.O.
16 INVOLVED IN PROVIDING IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENTS
17 WHICH ARE SYNTHESIZED BY THE C.E.O. THEN PRESENT IT TO THE
18 BOARD IN A WAY OF A RECOMMENDATION?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S WHAT THE CHART SAYS.
21 THE CHART SAYS THAT THERE'S A DIRECT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE
22 BOARD OFFICES, CONSTITUENTS AND THE DEPARTMENTS. THE WHOLE
23 IDEA WAS TO CARVE THAT OUT.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT HERE, IT HAS CONSTITUENTS REQUEST TO THE
2 DEPARTMENT. IT DOESN'T HAVE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THE
3 DEPARTMENT. PAGE 4 ON YOUR...

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I KNOW. BUT, I MEAN, THAT WAS SPECIFICALLY
6 SEPARATED OUT TO INDICATE THERE IS A DIRECT LINE BETWEEN THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS-- YOU GOT TO FOLLOW THE LINE THE WHOLE
8 WAY, THERE'S A DIRECT LINE FROM THE BOARD TO CONSTITUENTS TO
9 DEPARTMENTS AND VICE VERSA.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, I UNDERSTAND THAT.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE IS NO FILTERING AT ALL UNDER THIS
14 PROPOSAL OF CONSTITUENT ISSUES. NONE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE BOARD CAN GO DIRECTLY TO THE
17 DEPARTMENT?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, EXACTLY.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON PAGE 7 IN YOUR ATTACHMENT, THE PROPOSED
22 ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE DOES NOT INCLUDE BOARD DEPUTIES IN
23 THE CLUSTERS. LATER IN THE REPORT, IT STATES THAT BOARD
24 DEPUTIES MAY BE INCLUDED IN THE PROCESS. SO HOW ARE YOU SURE
25 THAT THE SUPERVISORS' VIEWS ARE REPRESENTED IN THOSE POLICY



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1 PROPOSALS WITHOUT EITHER THE SUPERVISOR OR THEIR DEPUTIES IN
2 THE CLUSTER? AND WILL THE CLUSTER MEETINGS BE SUBJECT TO THE
3 BROWN ACT? AND HOW WILL YOU MEASURE THE SUCCESS OF THAT
4 SYSTEM?

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** A COUPLE OF THINGS. MEASURING THE SUCCESS IS
7 GOING TO BE VERY IMPORTANT AND THE BOARD HAS ALREADY TAKEN
8 ACTION TO ASK THE E&E COMMISSION, STARTING IN THE FALL, TO
9 TAKE A LOOK AT THE IMPLEMENTATION AND THEY WILL HELP. THE
10 ANSWER ON THE POLICY DEPUTIES IS ILLUSTRATED...

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S ON PAGE 12, I THINK, OF YOUR-- IF THIS
13 IS WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I WAS LOOKING FOR THE CHART.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE CHART ON PAGE 12, THIS ONE?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH. IT HAS THE BOARD DEPUTIES WHO ARE
20 INTERESTED CAN BE INVOLVED IN ANY OF THE CLUSTER MEETINGS
21 AROUND A PARTICULAR ISSUE THAT'S UNDER DEVELOPMENT AND UNDER
22 DISCUSSION NOT ON THE BOARD AGENDA BECAUSE THOSE ARE GOING TO
23 BE BROWN ACT. NOW, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT THOSE ARE
24 BROWN ACT ISSUES IS SOMETHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
25 FIGURE OUT WHEN WE GET INTO THE PROCESS AND SEE HOW IT WORKS.



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1 LET ME GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE OF HOW FLEXIBLE I WOULD LIKE TO SEE
2 THIS ORGANIZATION. SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS-- AND I'M NOT GOING TO
3 HOLD HER TO THIS, SHE HASN'T AGREED-- BUT SHE HAS A DEPUTY WHO
4 SPENDS ALMOST ALL OF HER TIME ON GANGS. IN DEVELOPING THE
5 POLICY, RESPONDING TO THE BOARD MOTION ON GANGS, I'D LIKE TO
6 HAVE THAT PERSON ASSIGNED TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY TO HELP DEVELOP
7 THE POLICY SO THAT WE BRING THE BEST OF THE COUNTY MINDS TO
8 DEAL WITH AN ISSUE. NOW, IN TERMS OF THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE
9 WAYS THAT THE BOARD IS INVOLVED IN AND INFLUENCES POLICY. AND,
10 IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, YOU ARE THE ONLY FIVE PEOPLE WHO SET
11 POLICY IN THIS COUNTY. SO, AGAIN, I THINK WE'RE GOING TO
12 CREATE A BETTER STRUCTURE OF DEVELOPING POLICY THAN WE HAVE
13 NOW.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROBLEM THAT YOU HAVE IS, ON YOUR POLICY
16 PLANNING INTEGRATION, BOARD DEPUTIES ARE INVOLVED. BUT, ON THE
17 C.E.O. COMPREHENSIVE POLICY REVIEW, BOARD DEPUTIES ARE
18 EXCLUDED. BOARD DEPUTIES OUGHT TO BE INCLUDED IN THAT, AS
19 WELL.

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO, A DEPARTMENT THAT THE BOARD IS
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR IS INVOLVED IN THAT PROCESS. AND, AS A RESULT
25 OF THAT, THE BOARD SHOULD ALSO BE INVOLVED BECAUSE ONE OF



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1 THEIR DEPARTMENTS THAT THEY HAVE DIRECT AUTHORITY OVER IS
2 INCLUDED IN THAT DEPARTMENT.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SAY THAT AGAIN.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE OF THE BOARD'S DEPARTMENTS THAT WE ARE
7 RESPONSIBLE FOR IS INCLUDED IN YOUR COMPREHENSIVE POLICY
8 REVIEW. AS A RESULT OF THAT, THE BOARD SHOULD BE INVOLVED
9 BECAUSE THAT IS OUR DEPARTMENT AND WE OUGHT TO BE INVOLVED IN
10 THAT POLICY DISCUSSION.

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'LL TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT THAT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU CAN LOOK AT IT LIKE RAY CHARLES OR LOOK
15 AT IT LIKE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO DO IT AND I SAY THAT
16 BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO PIN THINGS DOWN NOW AND NOT TAKE A, YOU
17 KNOW, TURN A BLIND EYE TO IT. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE OUR
18 DEPARTMENT THAT WE SELECT IS INVOLVED IN THAT PROCESS, YOU
19 KNOW, AND THEY ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO US AND I MEAN THAT, YOU
20 KNOW, SERIOUSLY.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I KNOW AND I TAKE IT SERIOUSLY AND I CAN'T
23 SING LIKE RAY CHARLES BUT THE POINT I WANTED TO MAKE,
24 SUPERVISOR, IS THE DOCUMENT THAT YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU IS A
25 REPORT. IT WAS PREPARED IN 45 DAYS. IT IS AN INCREDIBLE



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1 PRODUCT OF THE PEOPLE THAT WERE INVOLVED AND YOUR OFFICE WAS
2 INVOLVED AND I'M NOT SAYING THAT THAT SHOULD HAVE AN INFLUENCE
3 ON YOUR POSITION BECAUSE IT SHOULDN'T. JUST THAT WE THOUGHT
4 EVERYBODY NEEDED TO BE INVOLVED IN DEVELOPING THIS DOCUMENT.
5 IT IS SUBJECT TO REVISION. IT IS NOT PERFECT BUT IT IS DAMN
6 GOOD.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, YOU'RE GOING TO
9 DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE
10 PRIORITIES AND CONSIDERATIONS. ON THE GRAPHIC IN FIGURE 7 AT
11 21 DOES NOT INCLUDE BOARD DEPUTIES IN THE COMPREHENSIVE POLICY
12 REVIEW. WHAT EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE THAT BOARD
13 PRIORITIES ARE CONSIDERED?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** COULD YOU DIRECT ME TO YOUR CHART AGAIN? OR
16 FIGURE? PAGE 21 OF THE TRANSITION REPORT?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, THAT'S WHAT WE HAD DISCUSSED.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, WE DID, WE TALKED ABOUT THAT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT WHAT POINT WILL THE DEPUTY C.E.O.S GET
23 INVOLVED WITH LOCAL INITIATIVES? FOR EXAMPLE, IN MARCH, THERE
24 WAS A MOTION TO GIVE COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY TO MENORAH HOUSING
25 FOUNDATION FOR AFFORDING HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS FOR SENIOR



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1 CITIZENS. NEITHER THE C.A.O. NOR OTHER BOARD OFFICES WERE
2 INVOLVED IN THAT DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT. IS THIS THE TYPE
3 OF PROJECT THAT WOULD NOW GO TO A DEPUTY C.E.O. TO BE INVOLVED
4 THE CLUSTER IN THAT DEVELOPMENT OR WOULD LOCAL PROJECTS SUCH
5 AS TRAILS, HOUSING, RETAIL DEVELOPMENTS, PARK EXPANSION,
6 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL SERVICES REMAIN AT
7 THE DISCRETION AND DIRECTION OF THAT PARTICULAR BOARD OFFICE?

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE WERE A COUPLE QUESTIONS THERE. ON THE
10 FIRST-- I WANT TO ANSWER THE LAST. ON THE FIRST, THERE'S
11 ISSUES THAT CROSS DEPARTMENTS, ISSUES THAT ARE COUNTYWIDE ARE
12 GOING TO BE PRIMARILY THE FOCUS OF THESE POSITIONS, NOT
13 INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE TIME, I HOPE,
14 TO DEAL WITH INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS. THAT'S THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
15 THE DEPARTMENT.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. IN CHECKING AT THE SALARY RANGE, THE
18 FIVE NEW POSITIONS AND CHIEF DEPUTY C.E.O., AND THIS IS FROM
19 YOUR OFFICE, \$179,868 A YEAR TO \$399,925 A YEAR. HOW WILL YOU
20 DETERMINE WHETHER THE JUNIOR C.E.O. DEPUTY HAS PERFORMED ON A
21 SATISFACTORY BASIS? ARE THESE PLANS-- ARE THERE PLANS TO
22 INCREASE THOSE SALARIES FOR OTHER ANALYSTS IN YOUR OFFICE?
23 WOULD YOU ALSO ADJUST THE SALARY RANGES FOR BOARD DEPUTIES
24 SINCE THEY ADVISE SUPERVISORS ON PUBLIC POLICY JUST AS THE
25 DEPUTY C.E.O.S WILL ADVISE THE C.E.O. ON PUBLIC POLICY?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ON-- THE RANGE, I MEAN, HONESTLY, THE RANGE IS
3 GOING TO BE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 200,000. WE'RE NOT GOING TO
4 BE PAYING ANYBODY.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DID YOU GET UP TO 400,000?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, IT'S JUST THE MAP RANGES GO ALL THE WAY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, I KNOW, BUT THAT'S-- HOME ON THE RANGE.
11 BIG HOME ON THE RANGE.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S A BIG HOME ON THE RANGE. [LAUGHTER]
14 THEY WILL BE EVALUATED BY MYSELF AND BY THE CHIEF DEPUTY ON AN
15 ONGOING BASIS AND ARE AT-WILL APPOINTEES. IN TERMS OF THE
16 BOARD, YOU DON'T REALLY WANT ME TO RESPOND ON THE BOARD
17 DEPUTIES. I ASSUME YOU GUYS SET THOSE SALARIES, NOT ME, AND
18 YOU CAN SET THEM, I THINK, PRETTY MUCH ANYWHERE YOU WANT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE PROPOSAL TODAY, HOW DO YOU ENSURE--
21 THE VETERANS HAVE DONE AN INCREDIBLE SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY
22 AND WE HAVE A WONDERFUL PATRIOTIC HALL. COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH
23 IS OUR DIRECTOR. CURRENTLY, UNDER YOUR PROPOSAL, YOU COULD
24 HAVE A ANTI-VETERANS PERSON IN CHARGE THAT WOULD DRASTICALLY
25 ALTER THEIR ABILITY TO SERVE THE VETERANS IN OUR COMMUNITY.



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1 CURRENTLY, WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO SUPPORT OUR VETERANS THAT ENSURE
2 THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS ABLE TO DO THEIR NECESSARY
3 RESPONSIBILITIES. UNDER THIS PROPOSAL, THE VETERANS NOW IS
4 GOING TO BE REMOVED FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND PLACED
5 UNDER THE C.E.O. AS ONE OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS. HOW DO YOU
6 PREVENT THOSE PEOPLE'S NEEDS FROM BEING PLACED IN A SECOND
7 CLASS POSITION INSTEAD OF A FIRST CLASS POSITION?

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE HAVE-- LET ME RESPOND A COUPLE WAYS. FIRST
10 OF ALL, THE ORDINANCE THAT THE BOARD HAS ADOPTED UNTIL THE
11 CHARTER IS CHANGED CONTINUES WITH THE BOARD, THE HIRING AND
12 FIRING OF DEPARTMENT HEADS. SO, UNTIL THE CHARTER IS AMENDED,
13 THERE IS NO CHANGE WITH RESPECT TO THAT. NOW, ASSUMING THAT
14 THE CHARTER IS CHANGED AND THE EXECUTIVE HIRES AND FIRES, DUTY
15 STATEMENTS WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR ALL OF THE POSITIONS OR EXIST
16 FOR ALL OF THE POSITIONS. I WOULD IMAGINE THAT THE M.Q.S OR
17 THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARY AND VETS HAS A REQUIREMENT THAT
18 THEY HAVE VETERANS' EXPERIENCE. THERE IS NO GUARANTEE. IT'S
19 LIKE THE GOVERNOR BEING ABLE TO APPOINT PEOPLE TO DEPARTMENTS
20 AT THE STATE THAT DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT WHAT THEY'RE DOING
21 BUT THAT'S JUST SIMPLY NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. IT'S NOT THE WAY
22 PROFESSIONAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW BUT YOU HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE VERY
2 SYMPATHETIC TO THE JANE FONDAS OF THE WORLD WHO COULD BE IN
3 THE POSITION, YOU KNOW, I'M SERIOUS...

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, I KNOW, BUT I JUST...

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE ARE PEOPLE, YOU KNOW, AGITATING TODAY
8 DAILY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT THEY CAN'T HAVE R.O.T.C.
9 PROGRAMS IN THEIR SCHOOLS. AND, YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE PUBLIC
10 OFFICIALS MAKING THAT DEMAND. SO IT'S NOT SOMETHING-- AN
11 EXAGGERATION.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I DIDN'T SAY IT WAS AND IT IS POSSIBLE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT, YOU KNOW, I MEAN, WHAT I MEAN.

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT, IT IS POSSIBLE AND I JUST AGAIN THINK
18 YOU WOULD NEVER WANT TO HIRE A PERSON WHO WOULD DO SOMETHING
19 AS STUPID AS THAT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW UNDER BOARD CONTROL WE WOULDN'T.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BUT YOU'RE HIRING THE PERSON WHO MAKES THE
24 DECISION.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU SAY IF HE DID THEN-- OR SHE, THEN WE
2 COULD FIRE THAT PERSON FOR THAT?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES. THREE VOTES. ANY TIME YOU WANT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A LOT EASIER JUST TO DO IT NOW THAN TO
7 DELEGATE AWAY OUR AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE THAT TYPE OF A ACTION.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I UNDERSTAND. THERE ARE ADVANTAGES AND
10 DISADVANTAGES TO ANY CHANGE.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUR, YOU KNOW, C.A.O. HAS USED THE CITY, AS I
13 SAID, THE CITY COUNCIL MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT AS A MODEL.
14 BUT, AGAIN, THIS IS MISLEADING BECAUSE CITY COUNCILS ARE
15 BASICALLY PART TIME AND THE ROLE AND FUNCTION OF THE COUNTY IS
16 A LOT DIFFERENT AND THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PRIVATE
17 SECTOR AND A PUBLIC SECTOR BECAUSE, IN A PUBLIC SECTOR, THE
18 PEOPLE ELECT THEIR REPRESENTATIVES TO REPRESENT THEM AND WHILE
19 WE HAVE DIFFERENCES OF VIEWS ON VARIOUS ISSUES, WE HAVE BEEN
20 ABLE TO WORK CONSTRUCTIVELY TOGETHER IN IMPLEMENTING COUNTY
21 POLICIES. THERE HAS NOT BEEN AN IMPEDIMENT TO THAT PROCESS.
22 THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY SPENDS NEARLY \$2 MILLION AND
23 THAT'S JUST REALLY, YOU KNOW, A DOWN PAYMENT, CREATING
24 ADDITIONAL BUREAUCRACY WHEN THAT MONEY WOULD BE BETTER SPENT
25 ON PUBLIC SAFETY, LIBRARIES, PARKS AND OTHER VITAL AND



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1 TANGIBLE SERVICES. IN ADDITION, HIRING A NEW EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER, WE ARE ALSO ENSURING THAT THAT INDIVIDUAL SHOULD BE
3 AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO INCORPORATE HIS OR HER
4 RECOMMENDATIONS AND THAT PERSON IS GOING TO BE CHOSEN IN THE
5 NEXT MONTH OR TWO OR THREE, IN THAT TIMEFRAME. IN MY OPINION,
6 THE BOARD HAS ACTED TOO QUICKLY IN CHANGING THIS ORDINANCE.
7 PRIOR TO INTRODUCING A CHARTER AMENDMENT, ALSO WE MUST ENSURE
8 THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGES THAT ARE BEING SUGGESTED DO CREATE A
9 BETTER FORM OF GOVERNMENT. OUR C.A.O. HAS ALSO STATED THAT THE
10 NEW GOVERNANCE WILL BE BETTER BECAUSE POLICY DECISIONS AND
11 DISCUSSIONS WILL BE EXEMPT FROM THE BROWN ACT. MOVING AWAY
12 FROM OUR OPEN GOVERNMENT TOWARD THE OLD DAYS OF BACK ROOM
13 DEALS AND CATERING TO AN ALL-POWERFUL BUREAUCRAT, IN MY
14 OPINION, IS A STEP BACKWARDS. SO I'VE INTRODUCED A MOTION AND
15 I WILL READ THAT AT THIS TIME. THAT THE BOARD OWES TO ITS
16 CONSTITUENTS AS WELL AS TO OURSELVES TO KNOW WHAT WE ARE
17 REALLY PAYING FOR. THERE IS NO MEASURABLE GOALS OR OBJECTIVES
18 IN THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN GOVERNANCE. THERE IS NO INDEPENDENT
19 STUDY THAT INDICATES THAT WHAT IS BEING CREATED WILL BE MORE
20 EFFECTIVE SYSTEM AT A LOWER COST. IN ADDITION, WE'RE BEING
21 ASKED TO SPEND \$1.7 MILLION TO CREATE AN EXPANDED FORM OF
22 GOVERNANCE ON A LEAP OF FAITH. THE BOARD HAS INDICATED THE
23 INTENT TO SUBMIT A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY VOTERS IN
24 JUNE 2008. THIS DRAMATIC CHANGE AND SHIFT OF POWERS MAY NOT
25 CREATE A MORE EFFECTIVE FORM OF GOVERNANCE. THE BOARD HAS



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1 PLACED AN ARTIFICIAL TIMELINE IN PRESENTING A CHARTER
2 AMENDMENT WITHOUT VETTING ALL THE ISSUES OR ALLOWING
3 SUFFICIENT TIME TO EVALUATE OUR GOVERNANCE WITH THE CURRENT
4 ORDINANCE CHANGES. IN ADDITION, THE NEW C.E.O. WOULD BE GIVEN
5 THE OPPORTUNITY-- OUGHT TO BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY FOR INPUT.
6 AT A PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING, OUR C.A.O. SUGGESTED THAT THIS
7 FORM OF GOVERNANCE WOULD BE MORE EFFICIENT, NAMELY, THE C.E.O.
8 AND THE DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO
9 THE BROWN ACT. IN A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY, SECRECY DOES NOT MAKE
10 GOOD GOVERNANCE NO MATTER HOW EFFICIENT IT MAY APPEAR. IT'S
11 THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW AND TO PARTAKE IN THE ACTIONS OF
12 THEIR GOVERNMENT THAT MAKES IT ACCOUNTABLE AND EFFICIENT. SO
13 I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.A.O. AND COUNTY COUNSEL
14 TO, ONE, POSTPONE DEVELOPMENT OF A CHARTER AMENDMENT UNTIL THE
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS PROVIDED WITH A SET OF MEASURABLE
16 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES ON THE MERITS OF CHANGING THE GOVERNANCE
17 UNDER A CHARTER AMENDMENT. TWO, THE C.E.O. IS HIRED AND GIVEN
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE INPUT ON HOW HIS OR HER OFFICE SHOULD
19 BE RECONFIGURED. THREE, INCLUDE LANGUAGE REQUIRING THAT ALL
20 CLUSTER MEETINGS INCLUDE BOARD DEPUTIES; AND, FOUR, APPLY
21 BROWN ACT PROVISIONS TO ALL CLUSTER MEETINGS. THAT'D BE THE
22 MOTION I'D BE INTRODUCING, MR. CHAIRMAN.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A SECOND? I DON'T HEAR A
25 SECOND. IT FAILS FOR LACK OF A SECOND. MR. KNABE.



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SUP. KNABE: YEAH, I HAVE SEVERAL QUESTIONS. I JUST BEGIN,
THOUGH, I THINK I LOOK AT THIS ORDINANCE MORE AS A PILOT
PROGRAM ON THE CHARTER AMENDMENT AND I DO EXPECT A NEW C.E.O.,
HE OR HER, TO HAVE INPUT AS TO WHAT THE CHARTER AMENDMENT--
THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO RUSH TO JUDGMENT ON THE CHARTER
AMENDMENT THAT WE HAVE TO ANY LANGUAGE. I DON'T THINK WE NEED
A MOTION TO DEVALUE THAT PROCESS BUT I THINK, AS WE MOVE
FORWARD, I THINK WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT WHAT WORKS AND WHAT
DOESN'T AS WE PREPARE TO PUT A CHARTER AMENDMENT IN FRONT OF
THE VOTERS. DAVID, THIS NONINTRUSION CLAUSE, SECTION 2.10.050,
STATES THAT THE BOARD MAY SEEK INFORMATION AND/OR SEEK
ASSISTANCE FROM COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES. THE TRANSITION
REPORT ON PAGE 14 UNDER THE HEADING OF CONSTITUENT REQUEST
STATES, "NO CHANGE FROM THE CURRENT PRACTICES IS ANTICIPATED
IN RESPONDING TO CONSTITUENTS' REQUESTS." NOW, TO ME, AND THIS
IS WHAT I'M TRYING TO GET CLARIFICATION ON, THIS MEANS THAT
THE BOARD CAN GO DIRECTLY TO DEPARTMENTS AND CONSTITUENT
MANAGERS. YOU'VE INDICATED THAT EARLIER IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS
WITH MIKE.

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C.A.O. JANSSEN: CORRECT.

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SUP. KNABE: I THINK MY CONCERN IS, MY QUESTION IS, WHO AND
WHAT IS COVERED BY THE DEFINITION OF CONSTITUENT? BECAUSE I

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1 CONSIDER A CONSTITUENT NOT ONLY TO BE AN INDIVIDUAL OR
2 BUSINESS WITHIN MY DISTRICT OR THE COUNTY BUT ALSO I CONSIDER
3 CONSTITUENT A CITY. A COG. A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION. THEY ARE
4 A CONSTITUENT. IN A VERY BROAD SENSE, THEY ARE. AND THOSE ARE
5 THE KINDS OF ISSUES, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE ISSUES WITH, SAY,
6 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHERE THERE HAS BEEN A, YOU KNOW, A
7 PAYMENT OF A CHECK OR THERE'S BEEN SOME PROCESS IN CONTRACT
8 OR, YOU KNOW, WHERE WE DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE DEPARTMENTS. SO,
9 I MEAN, WE TREAT THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, WE TREAT THE
10 CITIES, A CITY CAN CALL US ON A FRIDAY NIGHT AND SAY, "WE GOT
11 A PROBLEM HERE ON XYZ STREET." SO, I MEAN, IN TERMS OF
12 CONSTITUENT, YOU KNOW, THAT'S-- I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
13 WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE WITH A BROAD INTERPRETATION OF WHAT
14 WE CONSIDER A CONSTITUENT BECAUSE, TO ME, IT GOES WAY BEYOND
15 JUST AN INDIVIDUAL, THAT WE TREAT OUR CITIES WITH THEIR
16 REQUESTS, NONPROFITS WITH THEIR REQUESTS OR PROBLEMS THE SAME
17 AS WE DO ANY CONSTITUENT. JUST DIFFERENT QUESTIONS.

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19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, I WAS ASKING LEELA TO
20 REMIND ME HOW WE GOT TO THIS. IT HAD CONSTITUENT IN IT IN AN
21 EARLIER VERSION WITH A MODEST DEFINITION AND WE DECIDED IT WAS
22 TOO HARD TO DEFINE SO LITERALLY CONSTITUENT MEANS EVERYTHING
23 THAT YOU SAID.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. JUST ONE OTHER ISSUE. YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY,
2 I'M SORT OF LOOKING AT THIS THING FROM THE 50,000 FOOT LEVEL.
3 I MEAN, THAT'S WHY I SUPPORTED IT FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. I
4 THINK THE ACCOUNTABILITY FACTOR WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEADS,
5 SORT OF CLUSTERS SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUAL THINGS. YOU KNOW,
6 I'M STILL NOT TOTALLY CONVINCED HOW THIS DEPUTY C.E.O. THING
7 IS GOING TO WORK, WHETHER WE NEED THAT OR NOT. MIKE MENTIONED
8 SALARY RANGES BUT WILL IT HAVE ANY IMPACT OVERALL IF YOU WOULD
9 CREATE THESE NEW JOBS AND NEW RANGES ON THE MAP PROGRAM, AS AN
10 EXAMPLE?

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12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THEY WILL HAVE TO BE ADDED TO THE MAP PROGRAM
13 BUT THEY SHOULDN'T IMPACT ANYTHING THAT YOU'VE ALREADY DONE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT PRETENDING, YOU KNOW, DEPENDING ON WHERE YOU
16 FIND THAT MID RANGE, SOME OF THESE FOLKS COULD BE MAKING MORE
17 THAN SOME OF OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS.

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19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, YES, THAT'S ABSOLUTELY POSSIBLE.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK THAT I UNDERSTOOD-- I HAD A QUESTION ABOUT
22 THE BUDGET PROCESS. BUT I THINK YOU MADE THAT PRETTY CLEAR
23 THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE INVOLVED ALL THE WAY THROUGH...

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OKAY. YOU GET IN EVERYTHING, RIGHT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ONE QUESTION, WE TALKED ABOUT IT EARLIER, YOU
3 TALKED ABOUT IT WITH MIKE, IT STATES THAT THE C.E.O. IS
4 RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING IF AND WHEN DEPARTMENT ITEMS ARE
5 PUT ON THE AGENDA. DOES THIS MEAN THE C.E.O. CAN BLOCK AN
6 AGENDA ITEM FROM BOARD CONSIDERATION?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO. WELL, NO. I MEAN, WELL...

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, THE ANSWER IS NO.

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12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I KNOW. WELL, FROM BOARD CONSIDERATION, NO. IT
13 JUST HAS TO GO THROUGH THE-- IT WILL RESULT IN A BETTER
14 PROCESS. THE ANSWER IS NO.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY BOARD CAN AGENDIZE ANY ITEM.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** HE DIDN'T SAY THAT. NO, HE DIDN'T SAY THAT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** AS IT RELATES TO SOME OF THE EFFICIENCY ISSUES,
21 THOUGH, YOU MENTIONED THE EXAMPLE OF THE R.F.P. GO AHEAD.

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23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I WON'T.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** IT MEANS NO.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT WAS THE QUESTION, I DIDN'T
3 HEAR IT?

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5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE QUESTION WAS WHETHER OR NOT WE COULD BLOCK
6 A DEPARTMENT FROM GETTING TO THE BOARD WITH AN ISSUE. THAT WAS
7 THE QUESTION. NOT WHETHER YOU CAN BE BLOCKED. AND THE ANSWER,
8 TECHNICALLY, IS YES, I GUESS YOU COULD, BUT THAT'S NEVER GOING
9 TO HAPPEN. THE IDEA IS THAT YOU HAVE BETTER CONTROL OVER-- AND
10 THIS, AGAIN, GETS TO PRIMARILY ARE THE BOARD-- WELL-- I THINK,
11 PERSONALLY THINK A LOT OF OUR BOARD LETTERS RIGHT NOW ARE
12 NONINTELLIGIBLE. THEY ARE WRITTEN BY SOMEBODY HAVING TO-- FOR
13 THE AUDITOR TO HAVE TO DO SOMETHING. THAT'S THE WAY I SEE A
14 LOT OF OUR TRANSACTIONS. THEY'RE NOT WRITTEN IN POLICY
15 FASHION. THEY'RE NOT WRITTEN IN A WAY THAT REALLY PRESENTS FOR
16 YOU AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE ISSUE. AND WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY
17 THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ITEMS THAT GET CONTINUED HERE AND I
18 THINK IT'S BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T BEEN PROPERLY DEVELOPED BEFORE
19 THEY GET HERE AND THAT THIS PROCESS IS GOING TO HELP THAT
20 HAPPEN.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU GAVE THE EXAMPLE, I STARTED TO SAY THIS, YOU
23 GAVE AN EXAMPLE EARLIER ABOUT THE R.F.P. BEING THROWN DOWN
24 YOUR DESK, BREAKING YOUR DESK.

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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, RIGHT. IT'S DRAMATIC.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** DRAMATIC. BUT, I MEAN, YOU KNOW, WE'VE TRIED THIS
4 IN THE PAST AS AN EXAMPLE AND, I MEAN, HOPEFULLY, THIS MEANS
5 WHAT YOU SAID IT MEANS BECAUSE I-- AS I REMEMBER, THE BOLD
6 STEP FORWARD PRESENTATION. THERE WERE A LOT OF THINGS THAT
7 WERE LIKE THAT AND THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE WAS NOT VERY SUPPORTIVE
8 OF THE BOLD STEP FORWARD PROGRAM. SO, I MEAN, I FIGURE YOU
9 WERE GOING TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT THAT AS TO HOW-- SO THIS
10 WON'T BREAK YOUR DESK.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT WAS THE BOLD STEP FORWARD? IT
13 SOUNDS LIKE THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. GREAT LEAP
14 FORWARD.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, IT WAS LIKE A STRATEGY PLAN THAT THEY CAME UP
17 WITH FROM ALL THE DEPARTMENTS. NOT US. BUT THE DEPARTMENTS
18 CAME UP-- ABOUT TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY FOR R.F.P.S. YEAH. AND
19 IT WAS SORT OF NURTURED OUT THERE. IT WAS WHEN WE CREATED THE
20 TASKFORCE ON INTEGRATION OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT SORT
21 OF CAME OUT OF THAT. SO IT'S STILL THERE.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT SOUNDS LIKE EXACTLY THE SAME.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT VERY THICK SO IT WOULDN'T BREAK DAVID'S
2 DESK.

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** GOOD. I HAVE A VERY OLD DESK.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** IT MIGHT HAVE ACCUMULATED A LOT OF DUST.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THE TITLE HAS KIND OF A CATCH
9 TO IT.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** IT CAME THROUGH THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS, AS
12 PART OF THE ORIGINAL MOTION THAT CREATED THE OFFICE OF SMALL
13 BUSINESS. I GUESS, YOU KNOW, THE OTHER AREA OF CONCERN
14 CONTINUES TO BE AS THIS IS DEVELOPED AND I THINK BY SORT OF
15 DEFINING THAT HERE TODAY AND LISTENING TO WHAT YOUR
16 INTERPRETATION AND WORKING WITH THE NEW C.E.O., WHOEVER THAT
17 MAY BE ON INPUT, ONE OF THE CONCERNS IS HOW FAR DOWN THIS GOES
18 IN THE SENSE THAT I KNOW IT'S FROM MY STAFF AS WELL AS OTHER
19 STAFF MEMBERS THAT ARE CONCERNED THAT, YOU KNOW, THEY MAY GET
20 THREATENED, YOU KNOW? SO-- "YOU CAN NO LONGER DO THAT UNDER
21 THE NEW C.E.O." OR WHATEVER IT MAY BE AND, AT LEAST FROM MY
22 PERSPECTIVE, I MEAN, I DON'T THINK THAT KIND OF ATTITUDE CAN
23 BE TOLERATED AND I DON'T THINK I SEE ANYTHING IN HERE THAT
24 WOULD ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN BUT I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE PUT ON
25 THE TABLE BECAUSE IT IS AN ISSUE. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME



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1 HOPEFULLY SOME JOKES IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AS PEOPLE CONTACT
2 THEM ABOUT WHAT THE REAL INTENT OF THIS IS AND WHAT OUR STAFF
3 CAN OR CAN'T DO. BECAUSE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, I MEAN, THE
4 BOARD STILL DIRECTS POLICY. THE BOARD, YOU KNOW, IF WE'VE GOT
5 A PROBLEM, WE STILL CAN BRING IN A MOTION. I MEAN, WE DON'T--
6 YOU KNOW, THAT'S NOT GOING TO BE ELIMINATED KIND OF A THING
7 AND I REALLY DO LOOK AT THIS ORDINANCE AS A PILOT PROGRAM FOR
8 THE CHARTER AMENDMENT AND I DON'T LOOK AT IT AS SET IN STONE
9 BECAUSE I THINK THERE'S STILL SOME CONVERSATION THAT NEEDS TO
10 TAKE PLACE EVEN, YOU KNOW, IF WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS
11 ORDINANCE TODAY, I THINK THERE'S INDICATIONS THAT THERE'S
12 ONGOING DISCUSSION AS IT RELATES TO IT BEING A WORK IN
13 PROGRESS.

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** COULD I RESPOND TO TWO THINGS? ONE, I COULDN'T
16 AGREE WITH YOU MORE THAT HAVING SOMEONE IN THE BUREAUCRACY
17 TELL A BOARD OFFICE, "I DON'T HAVE TO TALK TO YOU ANY MORE" IS
18 GOING TO HAPPEN, IT'S INEVITABLE, BUT IT'S UNACCEPTABLE. I
19 TALKED TO THE CHIEF DEPUTIES GROUP YESTERDAY AT THE
20 DEPARTMENTS AND THEY WERE ALL THERE AND I MADE IT VERY CLEAR
21 TO THEM THAT THIS IS NOT GOING TO BE TOLERATED IN THE
22 ORGANIZATION. THE BOARD IS IN CHARGE. YOU RUN THE PLACE. AND
23 IF A BOARD MEMBER OR A BOARD OFFICE CALLS LOOKING FOR
24 INFORMATION OR SOMETHING DONE, IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. AND, IF
25 IT DOESN'T, THEN OUR PROCESS-- I'M GOING TO BE MEETING MONTHLY



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1 WITH THE CHIEF DEPUTIES TO CONTINUE TO ASSESS HOW WE'RE DOING,
2 HOW WE'RE NOT DOING, WHAT NEEDS TO BE CHANGED, WHAT NEEDS TO
3 BE FIXED SO THAT WE JUST DON'T GO ON CRUISE CONTROL WITH THIS,
4 ALTHOUGH I THINK THAT'S UNLIKELY TO HAPPEN, BUT THAT WE MAKE
5 ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY IN THE ORGANIZATION AS WE DEVELOP
6 SOMETHING THAT WORKS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY BECAUSE WE ARE, IN
7 FACT, QUITE DIFFERENT THAN EVERYBODY ELSE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, YOU KNOW, AND THE OTHER PART OF THIS, I
10 MEAN, I LOOK AT IT AS THE EFFICIENCY IN THIS WAY, AGAIN, AT
11 THE, SORT OF THE 50,000 FOOT. OBVIOUSLY, IT WOULD ALLOW YOU OR
12 WHOEVER THE C.E.O. IS THAT WE COULD HIRE FOR OUR DEPARTMENT
13 HEADS IN A MUCH QUICKER PROCESS BECAUSE IT'S ALWAYS DIFFICULT
14 FOR THE FIVE OF US TO GET TOGETHER TO DO THAT. EVALUATIONS
15 WILL BE DONE ON A PROMPT BASIS WITH INPUT FROM THE BOARD
16 MEMBERS. SO, FROM THAT STANDPOINT, THERE'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT
17 ACCOUNTABILITY.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IMPROVEMENT, RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN LET EVERYBODY ELSE ASK THEIR QUESTIONS
22 BUT ONE THING, UNDER PAGE 7, UNDER THE COUNTY GOAL CLUSTERS,
23 WHERE IS-- IS LEASING AND SPACE MANAGEMENT THE REAL ESTATE ARM
24 THAT YOU'RE DISCUSSING, IS THAT GOING TO BE UNDER OPERATIONS?

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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE REAL ESTATE LEASING ARM IS STILL PART OF
2 OUR OFFICE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I MEAN, AS AN EXAMPLE, IF YOU PUT BEACHES
5 AND HARBORS UNDER COMMUNITY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES, THERE ARE
6 COMMUNITY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES THAT BEACHES AND HARBORS DOES
7 THAT YOU NEED SOMEBODY TO OVERSEE THAT. BUT THAT REAL ESTATE
8 PIECE IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT THAN A MUNICIPAL SERVICE.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THAT REAL ESTATE PIECE, I THINK, SHOULD BE
13 REMOVED FROM BEACHES AND HARBORS AND PUT UNDER THE C.A.O.'S
14 OFFICE UNDER LEASING AND SPACE MANAGEMENT.

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** TWO THINGS. ONE, THE LAST ITEM SAYS THAT WE'RE
17 GOING TO BE TAKING A LOOK AT THE PLACEMENT OF THOSE KINDS OF
18 FUNCTIONS, NUMBER ONE. SO THAT WE WILL TAKE A LOOK AT WHETHER
19 THAT-- I WILL ALSO TELL YOU, YOU PROBABLY WON'T LIKE THIS,
20 THAT I WILL TAKE A LOOK AT PUTTING LEASING BACK WHERE IT WAS
21 10 YEARS AGO BUT THAT'S A FUTURE...

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** WHERE WAS THAT?

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IN INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. BUT THE
2 CHART, FIGURE 5 SHOWS RIGHT NOW THAT THERE'S NO CHANGE IN
3 WHERE LEASING IS. IT'S STILL UNDER OUR FACILITY AND ASSET
4 MANAGEMENT. IT'S STILL UNDER JOHN EDMUNSTON'S OFFICE...

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** OPERATIONS IS YOU, THEN, IS THAT CORRECT?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE?

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I PROBABLY SHOULD SAY THE
15 SAME THING I THINK I'VE SAID BEFORE. ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I
16 FEEL THAT WE DO NEED TO HAVE THIS COORDINATION SOMEWHERE IN
17 ONE OFFICE IS THAT I HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF TRYING TO PUT
18 TOGETHER A PROGRAM ON CO-OCCURRING ILLNESSES, PEOPLE WHO HAD
19 MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEM AND HEALTH ISSUES OR DRUG PROBLEMS. AND
20 IT TOOK PROBABLY 20 MEETINGS. FIRST OF ALL TO BRING ALL--
21 BRING THE PEOPLE TOGETHER. THEN FOR THEM TO ASSIGN THE VARIOUS
22 PEOPLE IN EACH PART, WHETHER IT'S FINANCIAL PEOPLE IN EACH ONE
23 OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS, AND THEN THEY HAD TO HAVE A TASKFORCE
24 AND THEN THERE WAS A SERIES OF LARGE MEETINGS BETWEEN ALL OF
25 THE PEOPLE WHO WERE ASSIGNED FROM EACH DEPARTMENT TO TRY TO



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1 WORK THIS OUT. NOW, ULTIMATELY, AFTER THOSE 25 OR 30 MEETINGS
2 AND OVER SEVEN MONTHS, THE PROGRAM WAS ABLE TO START. BUT THEN
3 THERE WERE-- AND SPACE ISSUES. WHERE DO YOU GET THE BUDGET?
4 NOW, IT WAS NOT A BUDGET THAT INITIATED IT. I CAN UNDERSTAND
5 THAT IF THIS WAS A PROGRAM INITIATED IN THE BUDGET PROCESS BUT
6 THIS WAS INITIATED DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR AND TRYING TO
7 PROVIDE SOMETHING THAT WAS VERY NEEDED FOR PEOPLE WHO HAD SOME
8 DEFINITE NEEDS. SO I REALIZED THEN, TO TRY TO PUT TWO OR THREE
9 DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER WAS A HUGE ISSUE, PARTICULARLY IF IT
10 INVOLVED ANY AMOUNT OF SPACE, ALLOCATION OF STAFF, ALLOCATION
11 OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES. I THINK WE MOST RECENTLY SAW THIS AS
12 IT RELATED TO THE QUESTION OF JUVENILE HALL, WHERE WE HAD
13 PROBATION, MENTAL HEALTH, EDUCATION, ALL OF THEM HAVING TO TRY
14 TO FIGURE OUT HOW THEY WERE GOING TO ALLOCATE SPACE, RESOURCES
15 AND BUDGET AND ALL OF THESE THINGS. AND, AS A RESULT,
16 EVERYTHING FELL THROUGH THE CRACKS. SO YOU HAD THE BOARD
17 MEETING, BOARD HAVING TO COME TOGETHER TO TRY TO PUT IT BACK
18 IN SOME DIRECTION. THAT MAKES NO SENSE WHEN YOU'RE UNDER THE
19 KIND OF SCRUTINY WE ARE IN AND THE DEMANDS OF THIS COUNTY.
20 THERE'S SO MANY TREMENDOUS NEEDS THAT PEOPLE HAVE AND WE NEED
21 TO HAVE A METHOD WHERE WE CAN MEET THE NEEDS WITHOUT HAVING TO
22 GO THROUGH THE KIND OF RED TAPE AND BUREAUCRACY THAT, AT
23 PRESENT, IS REQUIRED TO REALLY SOLVE SO MANY PROBLEMS. SO
24 THAT'S REALLY THE CRUX OF ONE OF THE REASONS THAT I FELT THAT
25 IT WAS NECESSARY TO LOOK AT THIS ORGANIZATION. I ALSO HAVE



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1 STRONG FEELINGS THAT THE EMPLOYMENT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS, AS
2 WELL AS THE EVALUATION AND THE FIRING OF DEPARTMENT HEADS
3 NEEDS TO BE OUTSIDE OF THIS ROOM. I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE
4 PROFESSIONALIZED. IT HAS TO BE SUCH THAT WE DON'T DISCOURAGE
5 PEOPLE FROM COMING HERE TO WORK IN THIS COUNTY AND MANY PEOPLE
6 ARE DISCOURAGED BECAUSE THEY DON'T FEEL THEY SHOULD BE SUBJECT
7 TO AN UNPROFESSIONAL APPROACH IN TERMS OF THEIR JOB. THERE ARE
8 PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXCELLENT BACKGROUNDS. THEY ARE PROFESSIONALS.
9 THEY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR FUTURE AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL
10 FUTURE AND WE SHOULD TREAT THEM AS PROFESSIONALS. IT'S
11 IMPOSSIBLE FOR FIVE PEOPLE TO WORK AND TO SUPERVISE ANYONE AND
12 FOR IT NOT TO HAVE CONFLICTING ISSUES AND ALSO OFTEN THE LACK
13 OF PROFESSIONALISM IN TERMS OF HOW THEY'RE TREATED. I'D LIKE
14 TO GET TO THE ISSUE IN TERMS OF EVALUATION AND ASK SOME
15 QUESTIONS ON THAT. HOW WOULD THE EVALUATION PROCESS OF A
16 DEPARTMENT HEAD INVOLVE THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS? AT WHAT POINT WOULD THEY COME INTO THE EVALUATION
18 PROCESS? AT WHAT DEGREE WOULD THEY RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE
19 EVALUATION AS IT RELATES TO THE PERFORMANCE OF A DEPARTMENT
20 HEAD?

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22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE HAVE, AS PART OF THE MAP PROGRAM, THE
23 PARAMETERS OF THE TIME FRAME THAT WE DEVELOP GOALS AND
24 OBJECTIVES AND THEN EVALUATIONS.



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW, THOSE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES HAVE COME FROM THE
2 BOARD.

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, NO, ARE DEVELOPED BY
5 THE DEPARTMENT HEADS. THEY ARE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD. AND THE
6 BOARD IS NOT ASKED TO APPROVE THEM BUT THE BOARD HAS AN
7 OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND ADD TO THEM. I DON'T SEE ANY CHANGE
8 IN THAT.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT WOULD STILL BE THE PROCESS?

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. AND THE DIFFERENCE IS GOING TO BE AT
13 THE END OF THE PROCESS. FOR ONE THING, RIGHT NOW, THE GOALS
14 AND OBJECTIVES OF THE DEPARTMENTS ARE NOT SYSTEMATICALLY
15 REVIEWED CENTRALLY, EVALUATED, MONITORED, BECAUSE THERE REALLY
16 ISN'T ANYBODY TO DO THAT. THAT'S GOING TO CHANGE. THOSE ARE
17 GOING TO BE DEVELOPED IN CONCERT WITH THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE. SO
18 THE COORDINATION BETWEEN GOALS, WHICH I THINK IS PROBABLY
19 PRETTY GOOD RIGHT NOW, IS GOING TO BE ASSURED AND INSISTED ON.
20 THE GOAL, DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION AND MONITORING WILL BE
21 ONGOING SO THAT, BY THE TIME YOU GET TO THE END OF THE
22 REPORTING PERIOD, LIKE ANY EMPLOYEE WOULD EXPECT TO KNOW HOW
23 THEY'RE DOING, THE DEPARTMENT HEAD IS GOING TO KNOW. AT THE
24 END OF THAT PROCESS, WHOEVER IS SITTING HERE, BECAUSE IT'LL BE
25 AFTER I'M GONE, IS GOING TO COME TO EACH OF YOU, I WOULD



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1 ASSUME, AND GET YOUR INPUT ON HOW YOU THINK DEPARTMENT HEADS
2 ARE DOING BECAUSE THEY DON'T JUST HAVE TO BE RESPONSIVE TO
3 WHOEVER IS HERE. THEY HAVE TO BE RESPONSIVE TO YOU AND A
4 VALUED PART OF THE ORGANIZATION. SO IT'S GOING TO BE, LIKE
5 MANY OTHER THINGS, NOT MAYBE DIFFERENT IN TERMS OF HOW YOU
6 TOUCH IT BUT MUCH MORE SYSTEMATIC, MORE ORGANIZED, MORE
7 PROCEDURAL, MORE BUREAUCRATIC, IF YOU WILL, THAN WE DO IT NOW.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** WITH THAT, WHEN YOU SAY THAT YOU WOULD COME TO US,
10 WOULD THAT BE IN THE COURSE OF A BOARD MEETING OR INDIVIDUALLY
11 EACH ONE OF US WOULD HAVE OUR INPUT?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK THAT PROBABLY, AS SUPERVISOR
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SAYS, WHOEVER THE NEW PERSON IS SITTING
15 HERE WILL-- MAY WELL HAVE A PREFERENCE FOR HOW THEY WANT TO DO
16 THAT BUT IT COULD BE EITHER WAY. EITHER WAY COULD BE
17 EFFECTIVE.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR, WOULD THERE BE AN
20 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE INPUT TO THAT PROCESS?

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22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** EVERY MONDAY. SERIOUSLY.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** EVERY MONDAY.

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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ABSOLUTELY.

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3 **SUP. BURKE:** THOSE MEETINGS WOULD NOT BE CHANGED?

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5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THERE WOULD BE THAT OPPORTUNITY.

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9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND YOU'RE ONLY A TELEPHONE CALL AWAY ANY TIME
10 OF THE DAY OR NIGHT, 24 HOURS A DAY, IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM
11 WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEAD.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, YOU KNOW, IT'S THE KIND OF THING THAT I
14 DON'T THINK SOMEONE GETS ON THE PHONE AND CALLS AND SAYS, YOU
15 KNOW, X DID Y.

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17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** DEPENDS ON HOW SIGNIFICANT IT IS.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S THE KIND OF THING-- UNLESS IT'S REALLY HUGE.
20 BUT, IN TERMS-- IT'S THE KIND OF THING THAT OFTEN DOES NOT
21 COME OUT EXCEPT IN A SOME KIND OF AN ORGANIZED SITUATION OF
22 WHERE THOSE ISSUES ARE BEING DISCUSSED. SO THAT'S ONE OF THE
23 THINGS I WANT TO SEE HOW THAT EVOLVES. I'D LIKE TO MAKE ONE
24 COMMENT. I BELIEVE THAT, IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO PUT THE
25 SENIOR CENTERS TO COORDINATE IT BETWEEN PARKS AND COMMUNITY



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1 AND SENIOR SERVICES OR SOMEHOW TO BRING THOSE TOGETHER WOULD
2 BE VERY, VERY EFFICIENT.

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I THINK THAT, BECAUSE, AS IT IS NOW, YOU HAVE
7 EACH ONE OF THEM WITH THEIR DIFFERENT FACILITIES AND A
8 QUESTION IN TERMS OF STAFF AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS. AND I
9 THINK THAT'S ONE OF THE PLACES WHERE THERE COULD DEFINITELY BE
10 A LOT OF EFFICIENCY.

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12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK THERE'S ACTUALLY A REFERENCE
13 SPECIFICALLY TO SENIOR CENTERS.

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** I SAW THAT. I SAW THAT AND I AM REALLY VERY
16 PLEASED TO SEE THAT.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY NOT CHIME IN? NO, I THINK IT'S A VERY
21 THOUGHTFUL PROPOSAL SO FAR. I APPRECIATE THAT YOU'VE MET WITH
22 VARIOUS PEOPLE, INCLUDING OUR STAFF, AS TO FINE TUNE IT AND TO
23 MAKE SURE THAT IT'S GOING TO WORK FOR EVERYBODY. THE PROSPECTS
24 AND THE GOALS IN IT ARE VERY, VERY-- I THINK THEY'RE THE KIND
25 OF GOALS THAT WE SHOULD TRY TO ACHIEVE AS A COUNTY. I MEAN, WE



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1 WANT INTEGRATED SERVICES. WE HAVE TO HAVE DEPARTMENTS THAT
2 HAVE THEIR OWN VENUES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES BUT
3 COLLABORATION IS REALLY THE KEY TO SO MANY OF THE ANSWERS OR
4 TO THE SOLUTIONS THAT WE HAVE TO THE PROBLEMS THAT ARE PART OF
5 THE COUNTY. I PARTICULARLY LIKE THE ASPECT WHERE WE, AS A
6 BOARD, ARE GOING TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS POLICY
7 ISSUES. HOPEFULLY, WE WILL TAKE AS LONG A TIME AS WE DO ON
8 SOME OF THE OTHER ITEMS. AND, HOPEFULLY, AT THAT TIME, HAVE AN
9 OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR EXPERTS, TO HAVE OTHER IDEAS PRESENTED, TO
10 HAVE THOUGHTFUL APPROACHES TO IT BECAUSE WE'RE ALWAYS IN A
11 VERY, VERY REACTIVE KIND OF SITUATION. THINGS ARE BEING TOSSED
12 AT US. WE'RE APPROVING ANYWHERE FROM 85 TO 155 ITEMS AND
13 REALLY NOT AS COMPREHENSIVE AS WE'D LIKE TO BE IN SO MANY
14 AREAS. AND THERE ARE SO MANY KEY ISSUES. AND WHETHER IT BE THE
15 CHILDREN THAT ARE OUR WARDS, OUR FOSTER CARE KIDS, WE KEEP
16 TALKING ABOUT IT BUT WE'RE STILL NOT BLENDING THEIR SERVICES.
17 AND SO MUCH OF IT IS BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE TO GET
18 TOGETHER AND DO THAT AND THEY DON'T. AND EVEN WHEN THE
19 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE STEPS IN AND SAYS, YOU KNOW, YOU NEED TO
20 FIX MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS IN OUR JUVENILE HALL. YOU HAVE TO
21 FIX EDUCATIONAL ISSUES IN OUR JUVENILE HAULS. IT'S NOT UNTIL
22 THESE DEPARTMENTS ARE FORCED TO COME TOGETHER AND TALK TO ONE
23 ANOTHER AND TO LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS AND GET AT REAL SOLUTIONS
24 ARE FINALLY THINGS GOING TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE. SO THERE'S A
25 LOT OF PROMISE IN THIS THAT I THINK ARE VERY, VERY GOOD. AND I



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1 LIKE THE FACT THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE GOALS AS AN
2 ORGANIZATION. I THINK THAT WE NEED TO DO THAT INSTEAD OF JUST
3 THE DEPARTMENT. SO THERE'S A LOT THAT WE CAN DO AND THERE'S A
4 LOT OF PROMISE IN THIS. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THERE'S NOT
5 THINGS I WORRY ABOUT. THIS IS A VERY BIG AND BOLD STEP AND THE
6 KEY TO IT IS GOING TO BE OUR ABILITY TO WANT TO MAKE IT WORK.
7 OUR ABILITY OF THE C.E.O. TO WANT TO MAKE IT WORK. AND THAT IS
8 TO BE TESTED AND THAT IS TO BE EVALUATED. IT MAKES ME VERY
9 NERVOUS AND I KNOW THAT I'M NOT THE ONLY BOARD MEMBER THAT'S
10 NERVOUS ABOUT WHETHER, IN FACT, WE SHOULD PUT IT ON THE
11 CHARTER AND MOVE FORWARD AND THEN, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN'T GO
12 BACK. YET, AT THE SAME TIME, TO REALLY INTEGRATE IT, TO REALLY
13 HAVE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE WILLING TO TAKE THAT STEP
14 AND MAKE A CHANGE, WE HAVE TO DO THAT. BUT, YOU KNOW, I WISH
15 WE HAD MORE TIME AND I PROBABLY WILL LOOK FOR MORE TIME TO DO
16 AN ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION. I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO UNDERTAKE
17 IT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. HOPEFULLY, YOU'RE GOING TO HONOR
18 THE TIMEFRAME THAT YOU SET OUT, WHICH WAS FAIRLY AMBITIOUS.
19 BUT SO FAR EVERYTHING IS ON SCHEDULE, WHICH IS A GOOD THING.
20 AND SO I THINK THAT WILL BE HEALTHY. THE PARTS THAT MAKE ME
21 NERVOUS ARE PROBABLY THE THINGS THAT MR. ANTONOVICH HAS
22 BROUGHT UP AND THAT WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT BECAUSE, IN ORDER
23 TO MAKE IT WORK, WE ARE WILLING TO FIND A MECHANISM IN WHICH
24 THE C.E.O. IS GOING TO BE THE ONE THAT GATHERS A GREAT DEAL OF
25 THIS INFORMATION, SYNTHESIZES THE INFORMATION, MAKES AND



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1 CHALLENGES THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO REALLY COME FORWARD WITH
2 SOLUTIONS AND HOPEFULLY BRINGS TOGETHER A VERY COMPREHENSIVE
3 APPROACH AND A VERY COMMANDING APPROACH TO A PROBLEM THAT IS
4 BEING PRESENTED. THE WORST THING THAT COULD HAPPEN IS THAT ALL
5 WE GET IS A LOT OF INFORMATION, A LOT OF GOBBLEDYGOOK AND WE
6 DON'T GET TO A SOLUTION. THAT IS GOING TO CREATE-- FORCE US TO
7 PROBABLY INTEGRATE OURSELVES MUCH MORE THAN PROBABLY A C.E.O.
8 WOULD WANT US TO DO. SO ALL OF IT IS, BASICALLY, IT IS AS GOOD
9 AS THE PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO ADMINISTER IT, AS GOOD AS THE
10 PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO BE RESPONSIVE TO IT, AND AS GOOD AS
11 THE PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO LISTEN TO THE ENTIRE CONCEPT. SO I
12 AM SUPPORTIVE OF ALL OF IT BUT I STILL HAVE TREMENDOUS
13 RESERVATIONS AND CONCERNS. I THINK THAT'S THE CASE. WE HAVE
14 SEEN IT, BY THE WAY, WHEN WE'VE HAD BAD C.A.O.S THAT THINK
15 THEY'RE THE SIXTH VOTE AROUND HERE. THAT IS A REAL MISTAKE. WE
16 HAVE HAD THIS PROBLEM WHERE WE HAVE WE HAVE SEEN INFORMATION
17 WITHHELD FROM US FOR FEAR OF COMING BEFORE US, FOR HOPING AN
18 ISSUE WILL GO AWAY. THOSE ARE ALL THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR
19 PROBLEMS. AND CERTAINLY WE DO NOT WANT TO SEE A MECHANISM BY
20 WHICH DEPARTMENTS ARE GOING TO BE HESITANT TO TALK TO US. IF
21 THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN, THEN THIS IS JUST A REAL PROBLEM FOR
22 ME. BUT IF DEPARTMENTS ARE SAYING, I'M WORKING ON IT, WE'RE
23 PUTTING THIS TOGETHER, I'M MEETING WITH THE C.E.O., WE'RE
24 WORKING ON THESE KINDS OF SOLUTIONS, WE'RE GOING TO GET TO YOU
25 ON A CERTAIN DATE AND THEN COME BACK WITH SOMETHING



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1 COMPREHENSIVE, THEN I AM SOMEONE WHO IS GOING TO ATTEST AND
2 SAY, "THIS IS WHAT I WANT." I DIDN'T COME HERE TO SCRUTINIZE
3 AND TO, YOU KNOW, CRITICIZE DEPARTMENTS. I CAME HERE TO
4 PROVIDE SOLUTIONS ON POLICY ITEMS, TO HAVE INPUT INTO THOSE
5 THINGS, TO PRESENT SOLUTIONS TO MY CONSTITUENTS AND THE
6 PROBLEM AS A WHOLE. THIS PLAN CAN DO IT IF IT IS WELL
7 ADMINISTERED AND WELL TAKEN CARE OF. IT IS ALMOST, AS MIGUEL
8 MENTIONED TO ME, LIKE A CHIEF OF STAFF. IF YOU HAVE AN
9 EFFECTIVE CHIEF OF STAFF, THAT CHIEF OF STAFF CAN BE
10 COMMANDING OF THE INFORMATION THAT HE IS GETTING, THE
11 SYNTHESIZING, THE SCRUTINIZING, THE ANALYTICAL COMPONENT OF
12 THAT INFORMATION FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIAL THAT THEY WORK FOR
13 AND HOPEFULLY GETTING HIM OR HER TO THOSE GOALS THAT THEY WANT
14 TO ACHIEVE AND VICE VERSA. HELPING THE STAFF ACHIEVE THOSE
15 GOALS SO THAT THERE IS A PROCESS THAT GOES-- WORKS BOTH WAYS.
16 BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT STAFF PEOPLE WOULD BE, YOU KNOW,
17 THAT WE WOULD NOT HAVE AN OPEN DOOR POLICY TO OUR OWN FOLKS.
18 SO, HOPEFULLY, WE'RE GOING TO THAT BUT WE DO NEED TO REFINE IT
19 SOMEWHAT. I AM CONCERNED AND I TALKED TO DAVID AT LENGTH ABOUT
20 THIS YESTERDAY AND THE WHOLE INCIDENT WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING.
21 I WASN'T HERE BUT I WAS VERY CONCERNED. IT WAS THE LITTLE BIT
22 OF NOTICE THAT I RECEIVED BEFORE I LEFT AND THEN THE NOTICE
23 THAT I RECEIVED AND THEN HAVING TO GET A CALL FROM CHARLIE
24 ORENSTEIN AND HE WAS TELLING ME THE FAX WAS VERY, VERY
25 TROUBLING. NOW, I DON'T KNOW AND I HOPE THAT THE DIRECTOR OF



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1 HEALTH SERVICES ALL OF A SUDDEN THOUGHT THAT HE DIDN'T NEED TO
2 INFORM US BECAUSE, IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN HE MADE A BIG
3 MISTAKE. WELL-- AND IF HE DIDN'T KNOW, THEN I'M EVEN MORE
4 CONCERNED. BUT I DON'T KNOW. COMMUNICATION FELL THROUGH THE
5 CRACKS IN THAT INCIDENT AND I THINK EVERYBODY WOULD AGREE. I
6 UNDERSTAND THERE WAS EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION ALREADY ABOUT THAT
7 AND THOSE THINGS ARE GOING TO BE CORRECTED. BUT THE OTHER PART
8 THAT IS FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS IN THAT SAME INCIDENT IS
9 THAT I DON'T HAVE ASSURANCES AS YET THAT I HAVE A SAFE
10 HOSPITAL. I DON'T HAVE THOSE ASSURANCES. NOW, I SHOULD BE
11 SEEKING THAT ASSURANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES,
12 FROM ANTOINETTE EPPS, FROM EVERYBODY WHO IS THERE. I NEED
13 THOSE ASSURANCES BECAUSE I HAVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE
14 SURE THAT I HAVE A HOSPITAL THAT IS SAFE. WE'VE EQUIPPED IT.
15 WE'VE PROVIDED EVERY SINGLE OPPORTUNITY FOR IT. AND I'M SO
16 VERY DISCOURAGED THAT WE HAVE YET TO REALLY GET A HANDLE ON
17 ALL OF IT. AND THIS IS THE KIND OF OWNERSHIP THAT A C.E.O. IS
18 GOING TO HAVE TO ACCEPT. HE CAN'T SIT THERE ANY MORE AND POINT
19 FINGERS AND SAY THE DEPARTMENT WILL GET BACK TO YOU AND THE
20 DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO DO THAT. SO IT IS GOING TO BE THE
21 ABILITY OF THAT INDIVIDUAL TO BE ABLE TO GET ALL OF THIS,
22 SYNTHESIZE IT QUICKLY AND GET IT BACK TO US AND CREATE A
23 COMMANDING PRESENCE OF TAKING CHARGE. I WOULD HAVE LOVED
24 NOTHING BETTER THAN, LAST WEEK, TO HAVE KNOWN THIS IS AN
25 ISOLATED INCIDENT AT M.L.K. FOR THE FOLLOWING SIX REASONS.



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1 THIS IS NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN AGAIN AND IT WAS SO ISOLATED
2 THAT I'M GOING TO GUARANTEE YOU IT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN
3 AGAIN. I HAVEN'T GOTTEN THAT AND I'M TROUBLED BY THAT. I HOPE
4 TO HEAR IT SOON. I TOLD YOU YESTERDAY THAT I WAS VERY
5 CONCERNED WITH HOW THEY'RE Eeking OUT LITTLE BITS OF
6 INFORMATION. I AM NOT THE ENEMY. I REALLY AM NOT. I WANT TO
7 SAVE THE HOSPITAL. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PROPERLY
8 PROVIDING RESOURCES, THAT WE ARE GIVING THE MAXIMUM OF
9 LATITUDE TO THE ADMINISTRATORS THERE TO DO WHAT THEY NEED THE
10 DO. BUT, AT THE END OF THE DAY, IF THEY CANNOT GUARANTEE ME--
11 AND I MEAN GUARANTEE-- A SAFE HOSPITAL, THEY NEED TO TELL ME
12 THAT BECAUSE IT IS MY DUTY, AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL, TO
13 GUARANTEE TO THE PUBLIC THAT IT IS A SAFE HOSPITAL WHETHER IT
14 BE MARTIN LUTHER KING, HARBOR, OLIVE VIEW OR L.A. COUNTY
15 U.S.C. NOW THERE ARE MISTAKES THAT ARE MADE EVERY SINGLE DAY
16 AND WE KNOW IT. AND WHETHER IT BE A PUBLIC HOSPITAL, A PRIVATE
17 HOSPITAL, A NONPROFIT HOSPITAL, THAT HAPPENS. THE L.A. TIMES
18 ISN'T LOOKING OVER EVERY SHOULDER. BUT WE NEED TO PROVIDE
19 THOSE KINDS OF ASSURANCES. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THESE ARE
20 POOR PEOPLE, MANY TIMES HOMELESS PEOPLE, PEOPLE THAT NOBODY
21 ELSE WOULD SEE IN A HEALTH FACILITY IN INSTANCES BECAUSE OF
22 MANY-- WE HAVE TO TAKE ALL COMERS. WE CAN'T TURN THEM AWAY.
23 AND WE SHOULD NOT. BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THEY GET A
24 SECOND CLASS OF SERVICE AT ALL AND THAT IS QUITE POSSIBLE WHAT
25 OCCURRED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO. BUT THE TEST IS GOING TO BE IN



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1 OUR ABILITY TO DO ALL OF THAT. AND SO I HAVE A-- I APPLAUD IT.
2 I THINK IT'S GOOD. I'M NERVOUS. I HOPE IT'S NOT GOING TO BE--
3 YOU KNOW, BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME CITY MANAGERS THAT RUN CITIES
4 AND THEY DON'T ALLOW THEIR COUNCIL PEOPLE TO REALLY TAKE AN
5 ACTIVE ROLE. THERE ARE SOME CITY MANAGERS THAT WORK WITH THE
6 POWER OF WHATEVER THE MAJORITY VOTE IS. WHO HAS TO LISTEN TO
7 THOSE TWO OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS? BECAUSE THEY GOT THREE ON
8 THEIR SIDE. IF THAT HAPPENS, BELIEVE ME, IT IS GOING TO BE A
9 REAL, REAL TOUGH ONE. SO WE HAVE A MOTION. I'M SUBMITTING A
10 MOTION THAT ASKS FOR CERTAIN CLARIFICATIONS AND IT'S BY MYSELF
11 AND SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND SO I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE IT. AND
12 BASICALLY IT'S-- IT SPEAKS TO A LOT OF THE ITEMS THAT I SPOKE
13 ABOUT BUT WE ARE CLEARLY ASKING THAT, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A
14 PARTNERSHIP IN THIS COMMUNICATION AND A COMMON VISION FOR THE
15 DIRECTION IN WHICH WE HOPE TO TAKE THE COUNTY, IT HAS TO
16 ADDRESS VERY ISSUES THAT WE'RE ENCOUNTERING EVERY DAY. SO WE
17 ARE ASKING THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER TO, NUMBER ONE, SUBMIT ALL BOARD AGENDA ITEMS TO THE
19 BOARD AT LEAST TWO WEEKS, I DON'T LIKE BEING SURPRISED THE
20 WEEK BEFORE OR EVEN THAT MONDAY BEFORE, ON PROPOSED BOARD
21 MEETING AGENDAS PRIOR TO-- FOR ADOPTION. EXCEPTIONS TO THIS
22 POLICY WILL BE ALLOWED ONLY DURING EMERGENCIES AND BY THE
23 INFORMED CONSENT OF EACH BOARD OFFICES. WE SHOULD KNOW WHAT
24 DEPARTMENTS ARE PUTTING FORTH TO US, HOW THEY'RE DOING IT AND
25 HAVE A COMPLETE REPORT SO THAT WE UNDERSTAND CLEARLY WHAT'S



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1 GOING ON. (B) TO DEVELOP A COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL. AND I
2 THINK THIS IS ESSENTIAL TO THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC ON ALL
3 CRITICAL ISSUES. THE PROTOCOL SHOULD SUMMARIZE THE ISSUES, THE
4 FACTS, PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION AND A COURSE OF ACTION TO BE
5 TAKEN AND PARTICULARLY WHAT THE NEXT STEPS ARE AND WHAT THE
6 TIME FRAME IS GOING TO BE. AND, FINALLY, THAT WE ESTABLISH A
7 PROCESS FOR AN ANNUAL BOARD ADOPTION OF COUNTYWIDE GOALS. WHAT
8 ARE THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT WE WANT TO SEE ACHIEVED? WHAT
9 KIND OF INTEGRATION? WHAT KIND OF OUTLOOK? WHAT KIND OF
10 COMMANDING PRESENCE? AND THAT THESE GOALS WILL BE INCORPORATED
11 IN THE EVALUATION OF THE DEPARTMENT HEADS. THEY NEED TO BE A
12 PART OF IT. SO I'M ASKING-- WE FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD
13 MANDATE THAT THE NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER NOT PREVENT ANY
14 DEPARTMENT HEAD FROM PROACTIVELY COMMUNICATING WITH THE BOARD.
15 IT NEEDS TO BE ADOPTED. WE KNOW THAT IT'S NOT THE INTENT TO
16 PREVENT IT BUT WE NEED TO SAY IT. BECAUSE, OTHERWISE, I WANT
17 DEPARTMENT HEADS ALSO TO FEEL EMPOWERED UNDER THIS. I DON'T
18 WANT TO TAKE ANYTHING AWAY FROM THEM. I DON'T WANT THEM TO
19 THINK THAT THEY CANNOT SHARE WITH US INFORMATION OR THAT
20 THEY'RE GOING TO BE REPRIMANDED OR HELD ACCOUNTABLE IF THEY
21 DO. IT NEEDS TO BE AN OPEN DOOR POLICY, A COMMUNICATION THAT
22 IS GOING TO WORK BECAUSE THE ISSUE IS, WHY ADOPT IT IF IT'S
23 NOT GOING TO MAKE A MORE EFFECTIVE SYSTEM? SOMEBODY SAID IF IT
24 ISN'T BROKEN, YOU DON'T NEED TO FIX IT. I THINK IT'S SORT OF
25 BROKEN. I THINK THAT, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE D.O.J. COMING DOWN



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1 ON US ON JUVENILE JUSTICE, IT SAID THAT SOMETHING WAS BROKEN
2 THERE. WE HAD TO INTERVENE AT A CERTAIN POINT IN TIME. AND
3 THERE ARE OTHER ISSUES LIKE THAT. THE FACT THAT WE DON'T HAVE
4 BLENDED SERVICES FOR EVERY SINGLE CHILD THAT IS UNDER OUR
5 CARE. THERE'S MUCH THAT HAS TO BE SAID EVEN AS WE TACKLE
6 CRIME, THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES WHERE WE DON'T HAVE A REALLY
7 COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM. AND WE NEED TO LOOK AT THOSE ISSUES AND
8 NOT HAVE A SUCCESSFUL GANG PROGRAM IN MY DISTRICT OR
9 SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DISTRICT BUT HOW DO WE LOOK AT A OVERALL
10 PROGRAM? SO THERE'S MUCH THAT WE NEED TO DO. SO NOT ALL OF IT
11 IS BROKEN AND SOME OF IT WORKS VERY WELL. AND I LIKE THE
12 FREEDOMS THAT I HAVE HERE. AND I CERTAINLY DON'T EVER WANT TO
13 BE TOLD I CAN'T ASK A QUESTION, I CAN'T GET INFORMATION BUT I
14 THINK ALL OF IT HAS TO PROVIDE ASSURANCES TO US, AS ELECTED
15 OFFICIALS, THAT TAKING THIS STEP IS GOING TO IMPROVE
16 COMMUNICATION, IS GOING TO IMPROVE OUTCOME, IS GOING TO GET
17 SOLUTIONS IN PLACE AND THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A COLLECTIVE
18 PROCESS, NOT A SELECTIVE PROCESS BUT A COLLECTIVE PROCESS TO
19 THOSE SOLUTIONS WHERE NOT JUST CERTAIN INFORMATION IS GOING TO
20 BE SHARED WITH CERTAIN PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO SUPPORT
21 CERTAIN OUTCOMES. IT HAS TO BE INCLUSIVE. ALL FIVE OF US
22 REPRESENT OUR DISTRICTS WITH DIGNITY. AND WE'VE BEEN ELECTED
23 AND WE FOUGHT HARD FOR IT. AND SO, CONSEQUENTLY, WE NEED TO BE
24 TREATED WITH THAT KIND OF RESPECT. AND SO I AM VERY HOPEFUL OF
25 THIS THING BUT IT'S A PARTNERSHIP WITH ALL OF US COLLECTIVELY.



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1 SO I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING IT. I HOPE THE ANALYSIS WILL
2 BE GOOD AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANY OF OUR THOUGHTS, ANY OF
3 OUR ISSUES EVER DISMISSED AS BEING INSIGNIFICANT OR
4 UNIMPORTANT. THEY NEED TO BE ALL INCLUDED.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT
7 MOTION?

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9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CAN I MAKE ONE SUGGESTED CHANGE IN SECTION A?
10 IT SAYS...

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** UH OH, YOU'RE CHANGING SOMETHING?

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14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** JUST A RECOMMENDATION. EXCEPTIONS TO THIS...

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHERE?

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18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** UNDER (A) ON THE FRONT PAGE. EXCEPTIONS TO
19 THIS POLICY BE ALLOWED ONLY DURING EMERGENCIES AND BY INFORMED
20 CONSENT OF EACH BOARD OFFICE.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S AGAINST THE BROWN ACT.

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24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT SOUNDS LIKE A BROWN ACT. COULD YOU DO BY
25 THE CHAIR? THAT SHOULD BE A RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I AGREE BECAUSE THAT'S JUST A BROWN ACT
3 VIOLATION. THE CHAIR.

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5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OTHERWISE, I THINK IT'S AN EXCELLENT MOTION.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** FAIR ENOUGH.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE IS NO
10 OBJECTION TO THE MOTION AS AMENDED, THAT IS APPROVED. LET ME
11 JUST MAKE JUST BRIEF COMMENTS. WE'VE BEEN AT THIS A LONG TIME.
12 I WANT TO COMMEND DAVID, AND YOU AND YOUR STAFF. I ALSO WANT
13 TO COMMEND THE STAFFS OF THE BOARD OFFICES WHO I KNOW WORKED,
14 I KNOW MY STAFF HAS WORKED LONG AND I'M SURE THAT EACH OF THE
15 OTHERS HAVE WORKED JUST AS BIT-- EVERY BIT AS HARD AND LONG
16 GOING THROUGH THIS AND THE DOCUMENT SHOWS IT. IT REALLY
17 REFLECTS, I THINK, THE COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE AND WISDOM OF A
18 LOT OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING IN THIS COUNTY FOR A LONG
19 TIME AND I THINK IT'S AN EFFORT, IT'S A WORK IN PROGRESS. IT
20 WILL CONTINUE TO BE A WORK IN PROGRESS AS THE CURRENT SYSTEM
21 HAS BEEN A WORK IN PROGRESS FOR 180 OR WHATEVER IS IT YEARS
22 THIS COUNTY HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE. BUT IT WILL BE A WORK IN
23 PROGRESS TO DETERMINE EXACTLY HOW IT BEST REFLECTS THE
24 PRIORITIES OF THE BOARD AND THE PRIORITIES OF THE COUNTY. I
25 ACTUALLY SEE THIS LESS AS A GOVERNANCE RESTRUCTURING. THE ONLY



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1 GOVERNANCE RESTRUCTURING IN THIS WHOLE THING, AS FAR AS I'M
2 CONCERNED, IS WILL YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE OR YOUR SUCCESSOR IS
3 GOING TO HAVE THE RIGHT TO HIRE AND FIRE AND SUPERVISE THE
4 GENERAL MANAGERS. ALL OF THIS STUFF, AND I THINK I'VE
5 MENTIONED THIS TO YOU BEFORE, CERTAINLY BEFORE YOU CAME HERE,
6 I HAD THIS CONVERSATION WITH MRS. REID AND I THINK I MAY HAVE
7 HAD THIS CONVERSATION WITH YOU, I THOUGHT THE WAY THE C.A.O.'S
8 OFFICE WAS ORGANIZED IN THIS COUNTY WAS ANEMIC. I MEAN, YOU
9 HAVE A COUPLE OF AREAS WHICH ENGAGE THE EIGHTH FLOOR VERY
10 EXTENSIVELY. BUT, IN TERMS OF DEPARTMENTAL OVERSIGHT, IT WAS
11 ANEMIC. I DON'T THINK IT WAS NONEXISTENT. I JUST THINK IT
12 COULD BE STRONGER. AND I COMPARED IT TO WHAT I HAD LIVED WITH
13 FOR 19-1/2 YEARS AT THE CITY, WHERE THE C.A.O. AT THE CITY
14 PROBABLY KNEW MORE ABOUT THE DEPARTMENTS THAN THE DEPARTMENT
15 HEAD KNEW. AND THEY COULDN'T BAMBOOZLE, THEY COULDN'T CON THE
16 CON MAN, IF YOU WILL, OR THE COMERY MAN AND THAT INFORMATION
17 FLOWED TO THE MAYOR AND TO THE CITY COUNCIL. AND IT WAS A VERY
18 GOOD, CONSTRUCTIVE TENSION BETWEEN THE TWO BRANCHES OF
19 GOVERNMENT AND THE BUREAUCRACY. THAT DOESN'T EXIST HERE. IT
20 HASN'T EXISTED HERE, REALLY, TO THE SAME EXTENT. IT'S NOT YOUR
21 FAULT. IT'S THE WAY IT IS. AND IT'S JUST THE WAY IT CONTINUES.
22 AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT I THINK THIS COUNTY HAS MADE--
23 YOU'VE MADE A CONCERTED EFFORT TO TRY TO MOVE THE C.A.O.'S
24 OFFICE, CALL IT WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT, C.E.O., C.A.O.,
25 TO MOVE THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE TO A PLACE WHERE IT CAN ACTUALLY



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1 DO THE JOB THAT WE ALL WANT YOU TO DO. AND, AS I'VE SAID TO
2 OTHERS, I SAID IT TO MY OWN STAFF, THIS IS GOING TO MAKE IT
3 EASY FOR US TO DO A GOOD JOB. WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE GOING
4 HITHER AND YON. THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME EXTENT-- TO SOME
5 EXTENT, A CENTRALIZATION OF POLICY OVERSIGHT AND DEPARTMENTAL
6 OVERSIGHT THAT JUST DOESN'T EXIST TO THE SAME EXTENT NOW. IT
7 WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR ALL OF US. I BRISTLE A LITTLE BIT AT
8 YOUR COMPARISON TO THIS AS A CITY-- AS A NEW POSITION AS A
9 CITY MANAGER. IT IS NOT A CITY MANAGER. AND I THINK IT CONVEYS
10 THE WRONG IMPRESSION. I DON'T THINK YOU INTEND TO CONVEY THAT
11 BECAUSE WHAT YOU'VE DESCRIBED IN YOUR OWN DOCUMENT IS NOT A
12 CITY MANAGER/CITY COUNCIL RELATIONSHIP. I THINK MIKE IS RIGHT
13 ABOUT THAT. THEY ARE PART-- MOST ALL OF THE CITY COUNCILS ARE
14 PART-TIME AND THEIR MAYORS ARE PART-TIME, MOST OF THEM AND THE
15 CITY MANAGER RUNS THE PLACE. THERE ARE SOME CITIES WHERE YOU
16 CAN'T GET SOMETHING ON THE AGENDA UNLESS THE CITY MANAGER
17 APPROVES IT AND PUTS IT ON. SO THAT'S NOT WHAT'S GOING ON
18 HERE. AND IT COULDN'T POSSIBLY. YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO HAVE THIS
19 KIND OF A GOVERNMENT OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE-- REPRESENTING 10
20 MILLION PEOPLE AND A \$22 BILLION BUDGET AND 100,000 EMPLOYEES
21 RUN BY A CITY OR A COUNTY MANAGER. I THINK IT'S EXACTLY WHAT
22 YOU'VE DEFINED IT AS IN THE DOCUMENT. IT'S A CHIEF EXECUTIVE
23 OFFICER AND WE ARE, YOU KNOW, THE POLICY SETTING BODY, THE
24 GOVERNING BODY. AND I WANT TO JUST POINT OUT, YOU TALK ABOUT
25 THE MARTIN LUTHER KING PROBLEM AND ISSUE, WE REMAIN THE



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1 GOVERNING BODY OF THAT HOSPITAL, AS WE DO OF EVERY OTHER
2 HOSPITAL IN OUR SYSTEM. WHEN THEY TALK ABOUT, WHEN C.M.S.
3 TALKS ABOUT OR THE REVIEWERS COME IN AND TALK ABOUT "THE
4 GOVERNING BODY", THEY AREN'T GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT YOU.
5 THEY'RE GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT US. SO THERE'S A LOT OF
6 VALIDITY TO WHAT GLORIA SAID AND WHAT IS IN GLORIA AND DON'S
7 MOTION, WHAT ALL OF US HAVE SAID TO ONE EXTENT OR ANOTHER.
8 IT'S NOT CUT AND DRY. IT IS NOT BLACK AND WHITE. THERE'S GOING
9 TO HAVE TO BE COMMUNICATION. I WANT TO SPEAK TO COMMUNICATION
10 FOR A SECOND. AND IT'S AGAIN, JUST AS YOUR DOCUMENT IS FOR
11 CONSIDERATION, I WANT YOU TO TAKE THIS UNDER CONSIDERATION. I
12 DON'T KNOW WHY, AND IT'S NOT IMPORTANT FOR PURPOSES OF THIS
13 DISCUSSION RIGHT NOW WHY, YOU, YOUR OFFICE, KIND OF TOOK
14 CHARGE OF THE M.L.K. ISSUE, BOTH IN TERMS OF AN INVESTIGATION
15 AND THE PUBLIC RELATIONS LAST WEEK. I'M SURE THERE WAS A GOOD
16 REASON FOR IT. BUT, OVER THE LONG HAUL, EACH DEPARTMENT,
17 ESPECIALLY THE HIGHLY VISIBLE DEPARTMENTS LIKE HEALTH, LIKE
18 CHILDREN'S SERVICES, OTHERS, NEED-- THEY CANNOT-- I DON'T
19 BELIEVE THAT ALL SPOKESMANSHIP FOR EVERY ONE OF THOSE
20 DEPARTMENTS NEED TO GO THROUGH YOU OR YOUR SUCCESSOR. I THINK
21 THAT WOULD BE A HUGE MISTAKE. FIRST OF ALL, NO MATTER WHO THE
22 C.E.O. IS, THEY WILL NEVER BE AS KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT WHAT'S
23 GOING ON IN THE CONTEXT OF WHAT'S GOING ON AS THE PERSON IN
24 CHARGE OF THE DEPARTMENT. NUMBER TWO, TIMELINESS IS AN ISSUE.
25 SO I HOPE THAT WE'RE NOT-- I HOPE THIS WASN'T A PRECURSOR TO A



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1 SYSTEM WHERE, ANY TIME THERE'S AN ISSUE IN A DEPARTMENT, THAT
2 IT'S ALL GOING TO GET FUNNELED THROUGH THE C.A.O. OR THE
3 C.E.O. OR YOUR PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, IF AND WHEN YOU
4 HAVE ONE OR WHOEVER-- WELL, YOU DO HAVE ONE. AND IT'S JUST-- I
5 THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE IN THE MIX WITH THE
6 NEW PERSON WHO'S COMING IN. IT NEEDS TO BE IN THE MIX WITH THE
7 DEPARTMENT HEADS. I THINK THERE NEEDS TO-- IT'S IMPLIED IN
8 YOUR MOTION, GLORIA, BUT I'M BEING A LITTLE MORE SPECIFIC
9 ABOUT THIS ONE KIND OF A SITUATION. WE NEED TO-- WE CAN'T HAVE
10 THREE, FOUR, FIVE PEOPLE TRYING TO FIND OUT-- I'LL JUST REFER
11 YOU TO MY EMAIL OF OVER THE WEEKEND ABOUT THIS. I WON'T GO
12 INTO IT ANY MORE THAN THAT. WE NEED TO HAVE AN EFFECTIVE
13 COMMUNICATION STRATEGY, ESPECIALLY DURING TIMES OF CRISIS.
14 AND, YOU KNOW, SOME OF US HAVE LEARNED THE HARD WAY HOW TO DO
15 IT. AND IT ISN'T EASY. BUT THERE IS A METHOD TO HOW YOU DEAL
16 IN A CRISIS AND I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT HONESTY IS THE BEST
17 POLICY IN THESE THINGS AND I THINK WE HAVE GOOD PEOPLE WHO CAN
18 ARTICULATE IT. SO I JUST RAISED THAT. I WANT YOU TO TAKE THAT,
19 PUT THAT IN YOUR THINKING CAP BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S AN ISSUE
20 THAT'S GOING TO KEEP COMING UP. I DON'T THINK THAT WHAT
21 HAPPENED LAST WEEK HAD MUCH TO DO WITH THIS, WITH GOVERNANCE.
22 THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME, TO SOME EXTENT OR ANOTHER, THAT
23 ISSUES LIKE THIS HAVE COME UP IN THIS AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.
24 SO IT'S A GENERIC ISSUE THAT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT. THE LAST
25 THING I JUST WANT TO SAY IN SUMMARY IS, I THINK, AS FAR AS I'M



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1 CONCERNED, THE ONLY THING THAT OUGHT TO BE PUT, IF THERE'S
2 GOING TO BE A CHARTER AMENDMENT AND I THINK THERE SHOULD BE,
3 THE ONLY THING-- THE LESS THAT'S IN THERE, THE BETTER. THE
4 LESS-- THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, THE BILL OF
5 RIGHTS IS A VERY SHORT DOCUMENT. THE STRUCTURE OF, YOU KNOW,
6 THE ROLE THAT YOU WILL PLAY AND IF YOU LOOK AT OUR OWN COUNTY
7 CHARTER TODAY, MOST OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT ARE DESCRIBED
8 FOR ALL OF US ARE A PARAGRAPH, AT THE MOST TWO, AND THEY'RE
9 SHORT PARAGRAPHS. IT'S A VERY SMALL BOOK. AND I THINK THAT ALL
10 OF THE OTHER STUFF, I MEAN, I WOULD NOT EXPECT, AND I DON'T
11 THINK ANYBODY DOES EXPECT, THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS OR ANY
12 PERCENTAGE OF THIS WOULD GET DISTILLED INTO A CHARTER
13 AMENDMENT. I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT-- THAT WOULD BE
14 COUNTERPRODUCTIVE AND SORT OF RIDICULOUS. BUT WHAT NEEDS TO
15 PUT IN THE CHARTER WHEN WE GET TO THE CHARTER AMENDMENT IS
16 THAT-- WHAT YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE AS THEY'VE CHANGED. AND,
17 IF WE GO FORWARD WITH THIS, YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE GOING TO
18 CHANGE. OUR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE NOT GOING TO CHANGE. YOUR
19 RESPONSIBILITIES ARE GOING TO CHANGE. OUR RESPONSIBILITY, I
20 THINK, WILL BE BETTER DISCHARGED BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE
21 A DIFFERENT SET OF-- A DIFFERENT RESPONSIBILITY, MORE SPECIFIC
22 OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY. I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT AND
23 I LIKE THE KINDS OF PEOPLE YOU'VE BROUGHT IN. IF YOU GET THOSE
24 KINDS OF-- THAT CALIBER OF INDIVIDUAL AS YOUR DEPUTY C.E.O.S,
25 THAT'S BIG TIME AND I WISH WE HAD DONE THIS 10 YEARS AGO, FIVE



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1 YEARS AGO. I WISH WE HAD THOUGHT OF IT TO DO THIS BUT TIMING
2 IS ONE OF THOSE THINGS AND AT LEAST WE'RE DOING IT NOW AND I
3 THINK IT COULD HAVE A TREMENDOUS POSITIVE IMPACT. I DO THINK
4 THERE ARE BROKEN THINGS IN THIS COUNTY. I DON'T THINK THIS IS
5 A QUESTION OF IF IT ISN'T BROKE, DON'T FIX IT. IF IT ISN'T
6 BROKE, I DON'T THINK WE'D BE TALKING ABOUT THIS. AND THERE ARE
7 VERY FEW PEOPLE WHO OBSERVE THE COUNTY WHO DON'T THINK WE HAVE
8 SOME BROKEN ASPECTS AND SOME BIG BROKEN ASPECTS TO IT. AND I
9 ALSO BELIEVE THAT, EVEN UNDER THIS SYSTEM, WE'RE NOT GOING TO
10 FIX ALL THE BROKEN ASPECTS TO IT. WHY? BECAUSE WE'RE ALL HUMAN
11 BEINGS. AT THE END OF THE DAY, THIS IS NOT A MACHINE. WE ARE
12 NOT A COMPUTER. WE ARE HUMAN BEINGS. WE MAKE MISTAKES. WE DO
13 THINGS THAT SOMETIMES WE REGRET, EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR
14 COLLECTIVELY, EITHER POLITICIANS OR BUREAUCRATS. IT DOESN'T
15 MATTER WHO YOU ARE. WE MAKE MISTAKES. AS I WAS ALWAYS TAUGHT,
16 THE PROBLEM ISN'T MAKING THE MISTAKE ONCE. THE PROBLEM IS
17 MAKING THE SAME MISTAKE THE SECOND TIME. AND THAT'S WHAT'S
18 FRUSTRATING, I THINK, A WHOLE BUNCH OF US THIS LAST WEEK AND A
19 HALF AND FOR A LONGER TIME THAN THAT IS THE RECURRING
20 MISTAKES. I THINK THIS IS A STRUCTURE THAT CAN HELP US
21 MINIMIZE THAT, REDUCE IT AND MINIMIZE IT. AND, AT THE END OF
22 THE DAY, IF IT DOESN'T WORK, NOT THE HIRING AND FIRING BUT IF
23 THIS DOESN'T-- THESE KINDS OF THINGS, IF THE WAY WE IMPLEMENT
24 IT DOESN'T WORK, AS DON SAID, IT'S NOT ETCHED IN MOUNT SINAI.
25 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MOVE CONSTANTLY TO FINE TUNE IT,



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1 IMPROVE IT, IMPROVE THE THINGS THAT NEED IMPROVEMENT AND BUILD
2 ON THE THINGS THAT ARE SUCCESSES. THAT'S THE SECRET TO
3 SUCCESS, FRANKLY, IS WHAT WORKS, DO IT AGAIN. AND WHAT DOESN'T
4 WORK, JUNK IT AND GO TO PLAN B. AND I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD
5 HAVE ANY ILLUSIONS THAT THERE WILL BE PLAN BS ASSOCIATED WITH
6 THIS. THERE WILL BE THINGS THAT EVEN MR. ANTONOVICH HASN'T
7 THOUGHT OF IN HIS HOUR AND A HALF OF QUESTIONING, WHICH I'M
8 SURE HE'LL COME UP WITH SOME MORE. AND THEY MAY BE GOOD ONES.
9 SO WE NEED TO BE OPEN ENOUGH TO FINE TUNING IT. BUT THIS IS A
10 GOOD THING AND IT'S A GOOD THING FOR THE COUNTY. I THINK IT'S
11 A GOOD THING FOR US AS AN INSTITUTION. I THINK IT'S A GOOD
12 THING FOR OUR OFFICES INDIVIDUALLY. I THINK IT'S A GOOD THING
13 FOR THE DEPARTMENT HEADS. AND I THINK IT'S GOING TO SERVE THE
14 PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY AND THE TAXPAYERS OF THE COUNTY MUCH
15 BETTER THAN THE CURRENT SYSTEM HAS SERVED THEM. THAT'S MY BET.
16 SO THAT'S ALL I WANT TO SAY.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** BY THE WAY, I DIDN'T GET YOUR EMAIL OVER THE
19 WEEKEND. SO YOU NEED TO COMMUNICATE JUST A TAD...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, IT WAS ONLY TO HIM BECAUSE I
22 DIDN'T WANT TO VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, JUST TO HIM?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. IT WAS JUST TO HIM.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** I FEEL LEFT OUT.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I JUST MAKE ONE COMMENT?

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I'D BE HAPPY TO LET YOU TAKE A
8 PEEK AT IT.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** ONE THING I THINK, THOUGH, WE CAN'T IGNORE IN
11 TERMS OF THE ROLE OF THE C.A.O., WE HAD TWO DEPARTMENTS THAT
12 WERE COMING IN CONFLICT ON THIS ISSUE AND EACH ONE WITH A
13 DIFFERENT STATEMENT OF WHAT WAS GOING ON. SO I'M NOT SURE WHO
14 COULD COME IN AND BRING THOSE TWO TOGETHER TO TRY TO ARRIVE AT
15 A RESOLUTION OF IT. APPARENTLY, YOU KNOW, THE SHERIFF CAME IN
16 AND TOOK ALL OF THE TAPES AWAY AND SO THE SHERIFF BECAME
17 INVOLVED. BUT WE HAD-- I THINK WAS-- WE NEEDED TO HAVE THE
18 C.A.O. INVOLVED IN THAT, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT WE HAD TWO
19 SPECIFIC DEPARTMENTS SAYING TWO DIFFERENT THINGS AND TWO
20 DIFFERENT TIMELINES. SO I DO THINK THAT IT WAS APPROPRIATE FOR
21 THE C.A.O. I DON'T KNOW WHO ELSE COULD HAVE RESOLVED IT. I'M
22 NOT SURE THE SHERIFF, WAS HIS JOB.

23



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT CRITICIZING THAT BUT IT
2 HAD OTHER COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES WHICH NEED TO BE ADDRESSED
3 GOING FORWARD. THAT'S ALL. IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE WERE CONSEQUENCES BUT YOU HAVE TO SOMEHOW
6 HAVE SOMEONE WHO CAN BRING DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I THINK DAVID DID THE RIGHT
9 THING IN TAKING CONTROL OF THIS. I'M HAPPY TO-- I WON'T
10 EXPLAIN IT BUT I THINK HE DID THE RIGHT THING. PARDON?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE CURRENT STRUCTURE DOES ALLOW THE C.A.O.
13 TO DO THAT AS THE C.A.O. HAS DONE IT IN THE PAST. BE IT DAVID
14 JANSSEN, RICHARD DIXON, HARRY HUFFORD OR SALLY REID. SO THAT'S
15 NOT THE SITUATION, THAT IT'S NOT GOING TO ALLOW THIS TO NOW
16 HAPPEN WHEN WE ALREADY HAVE AN ORDINANCE IN PLACE THAT ALLOWS
17 HIM TO DO THAT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE TWO ITEMS BEFORE US.
20 ONE IS A NOTE AND FILE ITEM, I BELIEVE, AND IS THAT ITEM 23?
21 AND THEN ITEM 26 IS AN ACTION ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MAKE AMENDMENT THAT WE APPLY THE
24 BROWN ACT PROVISION TO ALL CLUSTER MEETINGS.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I THINK THAT'S BEEN
2 DISCUSSED. IS THERE A SECOND? THERE'S NO SECOND. ANY OTHER
3 MOTIONS?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** WAIT A MINUTE. ON THE CLUSTER MEETINGS, WE SAID
6 THE BROWN ACT WOULD APPLY.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, THEY APPLY TO ANY MEETINGS
9 THAT ARE 30 DAYS OR LESS THAN-- THE SAME AS WE DO NOW.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** IF YOU ARE DEEMING STAFF CLUSTER MEETINGS?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF IT'S WITHIN 30 DAYS OF AN
14 ACTION, THEN THEY'RE SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CLUSTER MEETINGS ON THE
17 CHART, THE FLOW CHART ON PAGE 12.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THERE ARE STAFF MEETINGS THAT...

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE ARE C.E.O. COMPREHENSIVE POLICY REVIEW.
22 THERE SHOULD BE BROWN ACT APPLIED TO THAT JUST AS THE POLICY
23 PLANNING AND INTEGRATION COMMITTEE OUGHT TO HAVE THE BROWN ACT
24 APPLY TO THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MAYBE WE OUGHT TO APPLY THE BROWN
2 ACT TO ALL EMAILS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK TO US
5 ON THAT ISSUE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN DO THAT AND IT WOULDN'T DO
8 DAMAGE TO THIS BECAUSE IT IS A NOTE AND FILE ITEM. SO WHY
9 DON'T YOU REPORT BACK ON THAT? OKAY. HOW MANY MORE MOTIONS DO
10 YOU HAVE? I DON'T WANT TO BE RUDE TO YOU, I JUST-- DO YOU HAVE
11 SEVERAL?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, I KNOW WE LISTENED TO YOU FOR HOUR AND
14 A HALF, TOO, SO...

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I DON'T THINK SO.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO POSTPONE THIS PROPOSAL UNTIL THE
19 NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS HIRED SO THAT HE OR SHE COULD
20 HAVE INPUT INTO THE PROCESS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A SECOND TO THAT? DIES
23 FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE QUESTION, IS THE JUNE DATE
2 PART OF THIS FOR AN ORDINANCE OR NOT? NO, IT'S NOT PART OF
3 THAT? IT'S NOT PART OF ITEM 23 OR 26? BECAUSE IT WOULD SEEM,
4 FOR ACCOUNTABILITY, THAT YOU OUGHT TO HAVE AT LEAST A SIX
5 MONTH TRIAL TO SEE HOW THIS WORKS BEFORE YOU CONSIDER ANY TYPE
6 OF ORDINANCE TO BE PLACED BEFORE THE VOTERS IN JUNE OR
7 NOVEMBER OR WHENEVER. SO THE INTENT IS NOT TO PLACE SOMETHING
8 ON THE BALLOT IN JUNE?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** THERE'S NO ACTION HERE TODAY...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S NOTHING ONE WAY OR THE
13 OTHER. IT WILL TAKE AN ACTION OF THE BOARD TO PUT IT ON THE
14 BALLOT AND WE HAVEN'T TAKEN THAT ACTION.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I THINK THERE'S AGREEMENT, I THINK,
17 AMONGST ALL OF US, THOUGH, THAT THE NEW C.E.O. WILL HAVE SOME
18 INPUT AS TO...

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO QUESTION. ASSUMING WE GET ONE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH.

23



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANYTHING ELSE? OKAY. MS.
2 BURKE MOVES, MS. MOLINA SECONDS, NOTE AND FILE ITEM 23. IS
3 THERE ANY OBJECTION TO?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. ANTONOVICH IS RECORDED
8 AS A NO VOTE.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE I THINK ITEM...

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 23 IS RECEIVE AND FILE?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S (A). THAT'S JUST THE FIRST
17 RECOMMENDATION. THERE ARE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE
18 ORDINANCE TO ACT ON.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE ORDINANCE IS THE ACTION ITEM,
21 26. AND I WILL MOVE. MS. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION--
22 WELL, WITH ONE OBJECTION, MR. ANTONOVICH, I ASSUME, WANTS TO
23 BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE ON THAT, CORRECT?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. 4-1 VOTE. DO WE HAVE ANY
3 OTHER ITEMS?

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, WE STILL HAVE ADJOURNMENTS BEGINNING
6 WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS I BELIEVE NEXT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS NEXT. MIKE,
9 ARE YOU DONE? I'M SORRY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** OFFICIALLY, I HAVE TWO ADJOURNMENTS. I'D LIKE TO
16 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BEVERLY SHERWOOD. SHE IS
17 A FORMER CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF WALNUT. IN ADDITION TO
18 SERVING AS A CITY CLERK FROM 1979-2000, MS. SHERWOOD ALSO WAS
19 VERY ACTIVE IN HER COMMUNITY. SHE TUTORED AND COUNSELED LOCAL
20 TEENAGERS, TOOK CLASSES, AND VOLUNTEERED AT THE LOCAL SENIOR
21 CENTER, THE LEMON CREEK CONSERVANCY AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE
22 LOCAL RIDING GROUP. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES
23 NOT ONLY TO HER FAMILY...

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT ONE. GREAT LADY.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** ...BUT ALSO HER COLLEAGUES. VERY GOOD. I'D ALSO

3 LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NOEMI ESTRADA WEBER,

4 WHO IS THE MOTHER OF CYNTHIA VALENZUELA, WHO IS A LITIGATION

5 DIRECTOR OF THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATION

6 FUND. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE

7 FAMILY. AND FINALLY LET ME JUST READ IN A MOTION. THE TRAGIC

8 FIRE THAT TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY AT GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL IN EAST

9 LOS ANGELES REPRESENTS A TREMENDOUS PHYSICAL, HISTORICAL AND

10 EMOTIONAL LOSS FOR THE STUDENTS, ALUMNI AND COMMUNITY THAT

11 SURROUNDS THIS ICONIC SCHOOL. AS OUR COUNTY SHERIFF'S

12 DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT ASSIST WITH THE APPARENT

13 ARSON INVESTIGATION, WE OFFER OUR SUPPORT BEYOND THE IMMEDIATE

14 DEVASTATING FIRE REPERCUSSIONS. AS YOU KNOW, GARFIELD STUDENTS

15 ARE PREPARING TO TAKE THEIR STATE EXAMS TODAY. MY STAFF HAS

16 BEEN WORKING WITH THE PRINCIPAL, OMAR DELGADO, TO OFFER UP

17 ASSISTANCE TO ACCOMMODATE THE STUDENTS. WE'RE GOING TO

18 CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE INVESTIGATION. WE WILL OFFER A REWARD

19 AS APPROPRIATE TO FIND THE ARSONIST WHO DESTROYED DECADES OF

20 HISTORY AND MEMORIES FOR THE MANY GENERATIONS OF STUDENTS WHO

21 ATTENDED GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL. I THEREFORE WISH TO INTRODUCE

22 AN EMERGENCY MOTION TO OFFER COUNTY RESOURCES TO ASSIST

23 GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL STAFF, STUDENTS, AS WELL AS THE

24 SURROUNDING COMMUNITY, AND ALSO THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL

25 DISTRICT OFFICIALS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS, NUMBER ONE, MAKE A FINDING THAT THERE IS A NEED
2 TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION AND THAT THAT NEED FOR THE ACTION
3 CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD SUBSEQUENT TO THE AGENDA
4 BEING POSTED. SECONDLY, THAT WE CREATE A RED TEAM OF COUNTY
5 DEPARTMENTS TO ASSIST WITH EXPEDITING THE REVIEW AND THE
6 PERMIT PROCESS, AS WE'VE DONE WITH OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS, TO
7 ENSURE THAT THE REBUILDING PROCESS IS AS QUICK AND SEAMLESS AS
8 POSSIBLE. THREE, THAT WE PROVIDE THE GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
9 STAFF, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY WITH ANY SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
10 NEEDED IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH THE LOSS. THAT WE WORK WITH THE
11 SCHOOL OFFICIALS TO MAKE COUNTY VENUES AVAILABLE, SUCH AS THE
12 MUSIC CENTER FOR UPCOMING ACADEMIC AWARD CEREMONIES,
13 HISTORICALLY HELD AT THE GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM. AND,
14 FINALLY, THAT WE DIRECT THE C.A.O. TO WORK WITH THE PENDING
15 INVESTIGATION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
16 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND RECOMMEND A
17 REWARD IF NECESSARY.

18
19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SECOND.

20
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I TAUGHT AT GARFIELD, A STUDENT TEACHER, HAS
22 A GREAT HISTORY IN L.A. SCHOOL DISTRICT AND OUR SYMPATHIES TO
23 THE STUDENTS THERE.



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S REALLY A SHAME. AND WE WENT BY AND LOOKED AT
2 IT AND IT IS TOTALLY DESTROYED. IT WAS BUILT IN THE '20S. BUT
3 OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, AS USUAL, DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN
4 PUTTING OUT THE FIRE AND DIDN'T LET IT CONTINUE BECAUSE IT'S
5 CONNECTED TO OTHER CLASSROOMS IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
6 AND THEY DID A GREAT JOB.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE
9 ON BOTH THE FINDINGS AND THE MOTION, MAIN MOTION. GLORIA, IF
10 CAN INTERJECT FOR A SECOND. I FAILED TO-- DAVID HAS POINTED
11 OUT THAT THERE WERE THREE ACTION ITEMS ASSOCIATED WITH ITEM
12 23, CORRECT?

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 2, 3 AND 4.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE FIRST ONE WAS RECEIVE AND
17 FILE, WHICH WE DID. ITEMS 2, 3 AND 4 ARE THE ORDINANCES AND
18 THE FINANCIAL ACTIONS IMPLEMENTING ITEM 26. SO I WOULD MOVE
19 AND MS. BURKE WOULD SECOND THOSE THREE ITEMS. WITH ONE
20 OBJECTION, ONE DISSENSION, MR. ANTONOVICH WILL BE RECORDED AS
21 A NO VOTE. WE WILL RECORD THAT AS A 4-1 VOTE. ALL RIGHT. BACK
22 TO YOU.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE NOTHING ELSE.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE?

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3 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
4 MEMORY OF WILLIAM GRIMES, A KATRINA TRANSPLANT THAT RELOCATED
5 TO COMPTON LAST YEAR. HE PASSED AWAY ON MAY 20TH OF LUNG
6 CANCER. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, DELORES
7 GRIMES. AND CRISTAL JORDAN, LONG TIME L.A. COUNTY RESIDENT
8 WHO PASSED AWAY ON MAY 14TH. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY
9 HIS CHILDREN, VALERIE, JOSEPH, AND CHRIS JORDAN. AND ANNIE
10 CALOMEE, EDUCATOR, BLACK HISTORY AND MULTICULTURAL SPECIALIST
11 WHO PASSED AWAY ON MAY 15TH AT THE AGE OF 97. SHE LEAVES TO
12 CHERISH HER MEMORY, HER DAUGHTERS, GLORIA AND ANDREA. AND
13 MARILYN HEROD, FLOWER VENDOR AND COMMUNITY ACTIVIST WHO WAS
14 KILLED IN A TRAGIC ACCIDENT ON MOTHER'S DAY WHEN AN OUT OF
15 CONTROL VEHICLE RAN INTO HER FLOWER STAND ON THE CORNER OF
16 VERMONT AND CENTURY. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY A HOST
17 OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. FINALLY, YUEN FONG TOY, A LONG TIME
18 SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT AND FATHER OF L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT
19 OF HUMAN RESOURCES CHIEF DEPUTY SUSAN TOY STERN AND SHIRLEY
20 TOY, SUPERVISING APPRAISER FOR THE L.A. COUNTY ASSESSOR'S
21 OFFICE. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY THREE SONS, HERALD,
22 FRANK AND BILL, AND TWO DAUGHTERS, SUSAN AND SHIRLEY.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. THAT'S IT. I HAVE
25 ONE ADJOURNING MOTION. AND THAT IS? HERE IT IS. ANNABELLE



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1 GODWIN, A LONG TIME CHAMPION FOR IMPROVED CHILDCARE AND EARLY
2 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. SHE
3 DEVOTED MORE THAN 40 YEARS OF HER LIFE TO CHILDREN, FAMILIES
4 AND THE CHILDCARE PROFESSION, SERVING AS A DISTINGUISHED PAST
5 PRESIDENT OF THE CHILDCARE RESOURCES CENTER'S BOARD OF
6 DIRECTORS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, SARAH GODWIN, JOE
7 GODWIN, SON, ROBERT GODWIN, SARAH GODWIN, JOE GODWIN AND
8 ROBERT GODWIN OF BURBANK, CALIFORNIA. THAT'S THE ONLY ONE,
9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** C.S.-2.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO WANT TO
14 BE HEARD. WE WILL ALLOT TWO MINUTES EACH ON THIS, ON C.S.-2.
15 LETICIA STERLING, JACQUELINE RICHARDSON. RICHARD LEDESMA, ARE
16 THEY HERE? COME ON DOWN. OH, I'M SORRY. YOU'RE NOT HERE ON
17 C.S.-2. THEY'RE HERE ON ITEM 31.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S PUBLIC COMMENT.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO WE'LL TAKE UP C.S.-
22 2, DR. CLAVREUL. YOU MIGHT AS WELL COME DOWN ANYWAY, YOU'RE
23 ALREADY WALKING, BECAUSE YOU'LL BE NEXT. LETICIA STERLING.
24 JACQUELINE RICHARDSON, RICHARD LEDESMA AND JESSIE "JAY"
25 MORALES.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ANYWAY, I'M
3 VERY CONCERNED ON WHAT'S GOING ON AT KING DREW AND, CONTRARY
4 TO WHAT YOU ARE, YOU KNOW, SAYING, I STILL DON'T THINK YOU
5 HAVE THE INFORMATION. I THINK THERE IS SOME OTHER DEATHS WHO
6 HAVE NOT BEEN REPORTED TO YOU. AND I THINK IT WOULD BE KIND OF
7 NICE IF THEY WERE. PEOPLE ARE VERY CONCERNED. NOT ONLY IN LOS
8 ANGELES BUT EVEN IN OTHER STATES AND I GOT AN EMAIL THIS
9 MORNING FROM A FRIEND OF MINE WHO HAS BEEN MONITORING KING
10 DREW FROM FAR AWAY AND HE SAYS, "THERE IS A POINT WHERE
11 POINTING OUT THE OBVIOUS AND FAILING TO GET THE NEEDED RESULT
12 JUST SEEMS TO FALL SHORT AND MAYBE IT IS TIME FOR THE
13 CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL OR MAYBE THE U.S. ATTORNEY. IN MY
14 JUDGMENT, THESE ELECTED OFFICIALS, MAY NEED TO BE EXAMINED FOR
15 WHAT SURELY MUST BE MALFEASANCE RESULTING IN DEATH." AND WHEN
16 I READ THE STATEMENT FROM MR. DAVID JANSSEN WHO SAYS, THIS IS
17 NOT A SYSTEMIC PROBLEM AT KING DREW. THIS IS A SYSTEMIC
18 PROBLEM. FOR THE NURSES WHO WAS INVOLVED TO LEAVE, IT'S NOT
19 GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM. YOU HAVE A MAJOR SYSTEM FAILURE,
20 ALL THE WAY TO YOU. INCLUDING MS. EPPS, PEAKS AND CHERNOF.
21 CHERNOF WAS IN KING DREW FOR ONE YEAR PRIOR TO THE TIME HE GOT
22 PROMOTED. AND LOS ANGELES IS GREAT, YOU KNOW, LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY, YOU DO A MISTAKE, YOU DO WRONG, YOU GET PROMOTED. I
24 MEAN, WE SHOULD PUT THAT IN ALL OUR ADS BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT
25 HAPPENED. IT HAPPENED WITH THE E.M.S., WE HAD PROBLEMS, YOU



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1 KNOW, IN E.M.S., THEY GOT A REWARD TODAY AND CARL MEYER GOT
2 PROMOTED. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, IT IS BECOMING A PATTERN. ANYWAY,
3 I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO RECEIVE AND READ THAT LETTER.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WOULD YOU TAKE THAT? THANKS. WE'LL
6 MAKE COPIES FOR EVERYBODY. THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. LETICIA
7 STERLING? IS LETICIA HERE? SHE LEFT. JACQUELINE RICHARDSON?

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9 **JACQUELINE RICHARDSON:** THIS IS ITEM NUMBER 31?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, IT'S PUBLIC COMMENT.

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13 **JACQUELINE RICHARDSON:** IT'S A COMPLAINT ABOUT SOME NEWLY
14 ARRIVED IMMIGRANTS. IT'S ABOUT ONE SENTENCE. AND IT'S-- SOME
15 OF THE NEWLY ARRIVED IMMIGRANT GROUPS, FOR THE MOST PART, ARE
16 ONLY CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR OWN CIVIL RIGHTS AND NOT ABOUT
17 ANYBODY ELSE'S CIVIL RIGHTS. AND THAT'S THE COMMENT.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. RICHARD LEDESMA?
20 IS JAY MORALES HERE?

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22 **RICHARD LEDESMA:** YES, HE IS.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COME ON UP, JAY. MR. LEDESMA,
25 YOU'RE ON.



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2 **RICHARD LEDESMA:** THANK YOU. GREETINGS, DISTINGUISHED BOARD
3 MEMBERS AND AUDIENCE AT LARGE. I AM RICHARD A. LEDESMA,
4 SENIOR, I'M A PAST COMMANDER OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE POST
5 381 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND CURRENTLY I AM THE COMMANDER OF
6 DISTRICT 17, A SPECIALTY DISTRICT HERE IN DOWNTOWN LOS
7 ANGELES. RECENTLY, MAY THE FIFTH OF THIS YEAR, WE, THE FOURTH
8 AREA, AT THE FOURTH AREA CAUCUS, IN PREPARATION FOR OUR
9 CONVENTION IN PALM SPRINGS, THERE WAS A MOTION THAT WAS
10 INTRODUCED AND PASSED THAT THE COMMANDERS FROM DISTRICT 17, 19
11 AND 23 COLLABORATE TOGETHER ON THE ISSUE OF PATRIOTIC HALL. WE
12 ARE GOING TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION
13 PRESENT AT THE FUTURE SUPERVISOR MEETINGS TO DEMONSTRATE OUR
14 CONCERN ON THE PROGRESS OR LACK OF PROGRESS ON RESTORING
15 PATRIOTIC HALL AND ITS RETURN OF THE BUILDING USAGE TO OUR
16 VETERANS FOR WHICH THE PROPERTY WAS ORIGINALLY PURCHASED AND
17 THE BUILDING WAS ERECTED. LEGIONNAIRES FURTHER REQUEST THAT,
18 ON MEMORIAL DAY, MAY THE 28TH, THAT OUR NATIONAL FLAG, OLD
19 GLORY, BE RAISED AT SUNRISE IN HONOR OF OUR BRAVE MEN AND
20 WOMEN FROM THE WARS PAST AND THE PRESENT WHO ARE NOW IN POST
21 EVERLASTING. MAY GOD BLESS THOSE MEN AND WOMEN AND THAT
22 TODAY'S RETURNING VETERANS CARE FOR THOSE WHO WILL COME BEHIND
23 THEM AND GRACE THE HALLS OF PATRIOTIC HALL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
24 PATRIOTISM AND YOUR EFFORTS TOWARDS OUR RESOLVE IN RETURNING
25 PATRIOT HALL TO VETERANS.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. LEDESMA. MR.
3 MORALES?

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5 **JAY MORALES:** ALL RIGHT. FIRST OF ALL, WE ARE HERE SPECIFICALLY
6 TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF REQUESTING, RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING
7 PERMISSION TO FLY OUR NATIONAL EMBLEM OVER PATRIOTIC HALL ON
8 VETERANS' DAY. AND, INCIDENTALLY, WE'LL BE BACK AGAIN ON THE
9 FOURTH OF JULY TO DO THE SAME AND ON VETERAN'S DAY AS WE DID
10 AND WE HAVE ESTABLISHED THAT IN THE PAST BECAUSE WE CONSIDER
11 THAT PATRIOTIC HALL REPRESENTS A LEGACY NOT ONLY AS A
12 SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE OF A STRUCTURE FOR THE VETERANS OF THIS
13 COUNTY, BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT IS A HERITAGE THAT WE INHERITED
14 FROM THE PEOPLE THAT SACRIFICED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE
15 PAST. AT THIS TIME, THOUGH, I WANT TO COMMEND THE C.A.O. AND
16 ALL OF YOU. AS I WAS SITTING HERE LISTENING, AS YOU PROBABLY
17 ALREADY KNOW, I'VE BEEN INVOLVED SINCE 1972 WHEN I CAME OFF OF
18 ACTIVE DUTY, DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY, WITH VETERANS' AFFAIRS
19 IN THIS COUNTY AND I'VE TESTIFIED HERE MANY TIMES HERE IN THE
20 PAST. I NEED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT TODAY I AM EXTREMELY PROUD
21 OF YOU. I'M PROUD OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. I MADE NOTES
22 ON WHAT EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU HAD TO SAY, STARTING WITH
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YOU REPRESENT US IN A VERY GOOD WAY FOR
24 ONCE BUT I DO TAKE EXCEPTION TO SOME OF THE WAYS THAT
25 SOMETIMES, IN OUR EAGERNESS, IN OUR ABILITY TO TRY AND GET



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1 ACROSS SOMETHING THAT WE KNOW NEEDS TO BE FIXED AND SOMETHING
2 THAT DOESN'T NEED TO BE FIXED BUT SHOULD BE FIXED, WE
3 SHORTCHANGE OUR CONSTITUENCY. AND WE ABSOLUTELY HAVE SOME
4 PROBLEMS WITH THIS L.A. COUNTY TRANSITIONAL THING AS IT
5 RELATES TO WHERE THE COUNTY MILITARY VETERANS' DEPARTMENT IS
6 BEING CLUSTERED. WE DO NOT BELONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
7 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY AND SENIORS. THAT
8 IS NOT WHERE WE SHOULD BE PUTTING THE VETERANS, WITH WELFARE,
9 IN THAT CLUSTER AND WE WILL ADDRESS THAT ISSUE ON ANOTHER
10 OCCASION. HOWEVER, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE KNOW ABOUT IT, BY
11 THE WAY, SO WE'RE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT THAT. AND I JUST WANT
12 YOU TO KNOW ABOUT THAT. BUT, IN CLOSING, I WANT TO THANK YOU
13 BECAUSE TODAY I SAW WHY THOSE OF YOU THAT REPRESENT US IN YOUR
14 RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS, WHY YOU HAVE THIS AWESOME
15 RESPONSIBILITY. IN ALL THE YEARS-- AND I STARTED WITH HARRY
16 HUFFORD HERE, THE FIRST TIME AND GONE THROUGH ALL THESE
17 SUPERVISORS. I'VE SEEN HOW YOU HAVE DEALT WITH ISSUES. TODAY
18 YOU DID US PROUD. WE INTEND TO SUPPORT YOUR EFFORTS ON OUR
19 BEHALF, THE VETERAN CONSTITUENCY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH,
20 INCIDENTALLY, FOR THE RECORD, REPRESENTS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF
21 DEATHS IN COMBAT OF THIS AFGHAN/IRAQ STATE OF ANY CITY, COUNTY
22 AND, IN SOME CASES, STATES. THAT LEGACY BELONGS TO THEM. THAT
23 BUILDING AND EVERYTHING WE'RE DOING BELONGS TO THEM AND WE
24 COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS TO DO SO, EVEN THOUGH THE
25 TIMELINES ARE A LITTLE ASKEW RIGHT NOW AND THINGS ARE BEHIND.



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1 WE NEED THE DISCUSS MORE OF THAT AND WE'RE GLAD WE CAME TODAY
2 TO LEARN WHAT YOU'RE DOING ON OUR BEHALF.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS, JAY. I APPRECIATE THAT.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S YOUR REQUEST, YOU INDICATED VETERAN'S DAY,
7 YOU MEAN MEMORIAL DAY, DON'T YOU?

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9 **JAY MORALES:** WE WERE HERE AT VETERAN'S DAY, TOO.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COULD WE JUST TAKE CARE OF THAT?
12 OUR C.E.O. WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT.

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14 **JAY MORALES:** WE HAVE A NEW WORLD WAR II VETERAN, BY THE WAY...

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** AND A FOURTH OF JULY.

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18 **JAY MORALES:** YEAH. CAN WE DO THE FOURTH OF JULY, TOO? SO WE
19 DON'T HAVE TO COME BACK?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT, TOO. YOU
22 WANT US TO SUPPLY THE FLAG, TOO, OR DO YOU HAVE A FLAG?

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24 **JAY MORALES:** WE HAVE THE FLAG AND WE HAVE THIS FANTASTIC
25 LITTLE GUY, TORPEDOED TWICE IN EUROPE, YOU KNOW, ON SHIPS, ON



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1 DIFFERENT SHIPS, AND THIS LITTLE GUY JUST LOOKS FORWARD TO IT.
2 I'M SORRY HE'S NOT HERE WITH US TODAY BECAUSE WE'RE REAL PROUD
3 OF DOING THAT FOR THEM.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, TELL HIM YOU WERE ABLE TO
6 TAKE CARE OF IT.

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8 **JAY MORALES:** HE'S GOING TO BE UP THERE. AND I APPRECIATE WHAT
9 YOU DID. WE WERE KIND OF CAUGHT BY SURPRISE, BY THE WAY. AND
10 THANK YOU FOR DOING IT.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AND, THROUGH YOU, IF WE
13 COULD JUST TAKE A MOMENT TO HONOR ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO
14 HAVE DIED IN SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY AS WE APPROACH MEMORIAL
15 DAY COMMEMORATION NEXT MONDAY. IT'S SOMETHING WE SHOULD DO
16 EVERY YEAR REALLY ASSIDUOUSLY. WE TAKE THE HOLIDAY FOR GRANTED
17 AND IT'S NOT SOMETHING TO BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED. WE APPRECIATE
18 THE SERVICE THAT YOU AND ALL THE OTHER VETERANS HAVE GIVEN TO
19 OUR COUNTRY. ALL RIGHT. WELL, I WOULDN'T GO THAT FAR. SACHI,
20 ARE WE READY TO GO TO CLOSED SESSION?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
23 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
25 NUMBER C.S.-1 AND C.S.-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL



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2 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE NEXT
3 REGULAR BOARD MEETING WILL BE ON MAY 29TH AT 1:00 P.M. THANK
4 YOU.

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